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Dear Parents and Carers

### **Free School Meals (FSM) – the national supermarket eGift card scheme**

We recently sent you a Free School Meals shopping voucher to provide financial support over the Easter break from our school. As expected a national FMS supermarket eGift card scheme, to the value of £15 per week for every eligible child, has been launched during the last few days. This will come into effect soon and provide financial support every week during term time for the foreseeable future.

A scheme guide is attached to this letter, but please note the following:

1. You will receive a 16 digit eCode from school to your email address in the next 7 days. This is required to access [www.freeschoolmeals.co.uk](http://www.freeschoolmeals.co.uk) where you can exchange this for an eGift card at a supermarket of your choice.
2. If you do not have an email address you will be sent an eGift card from school in the post. However, in this instance school will nominate the supermarket on your behalf.
3. The eGift card (which is valid for one month) must be presented at the supermarket checkout, and fully redeemed in one transaction.
4. The eGift card can only be used to purchase food and groceries.
5. Some, but not all eGift vouchers, can be used for online shopping.
6. A new eCode (or eGift card if sent by post) will be issued each week.

If you have not received your eCode or eGift card by Monday 20 April please contact [freeschoolmeals@merciatrust.co.uk](mailto:freeschoolmeals@merciatrust.co.uk) or leave a message on the school answerphone on 0114 2353855.

Please advise school if you change your email via [enquiries@ecgbert.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@ecgbert.sheffield.sch.uk)

We hope this additional financial support is useful at this difficult time, and hope you and your family are keeping safe and well.

Yours faithfully

Mr P Haigh  
Headteacher



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