

Dear Parent,

Please see below some important information for parents from East Renfrewshire Council:

The council's website has now been updated with information about free school meals and clothing grants for session 2021-22, and a link to information about the School Age Payment has been added to the page. The online application forms for free school meals and clothing grants will go live on 12 July on the same page.

<https://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

A letter regarding school uniform is attached. Details of the Council's uniform policy can also be found here:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/er/public/Williamwood/uploads/sites/70/2014/05/DressingForExcellence4.pdf>

Details how to apply for the School Age Payment, and support available from MART with applying for all grants, have also been shared via the council's social media pages and can be retweeted here:

<https://twitter.com/EastRenCouncil/status/1403698692486578176>

Education Maintenance Allowance:

If pupils are 16 years of age or over before 30 September 2021, they may be eligible for Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) from August 2021. If the application is not submitted by **30**

September 2021 the award will only be made from the week the application is received. PLEASE NOTE THAT PUPILS ALREADY IN RECEIPT OF EMA MUST RE-APPLY EACH YEAR.

If pupils are 16 years of age between 1 October 2021 and 28 February 2022, they may be eligible for an EMA from January 2022. If the application is not submitted by **28 February 2022** the award will only be made from the week the application is received.

More information can be found at www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/ema

Williamwood High School