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Dear Parent or Carer

## Additional free school meal payment during lockdown: January 2021

As you know, during the Scottish Government's current lockdown restrictions most of our pupils are learning from home. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support - I know this is a challenging time for all of us.

In order to support families of children who are eligible for free school meals we are writing to let you know that during the period of lockdown we will pay £25 per child every two weeks into parent/carers' bank accounts.

The first payment will be made on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January to cover weeks beginning 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> January and then every two weeks thereafter until the Scottish Government announce the reopening of schools. This will automatically be paid to the families we know about and who have received the winter payment in December 2020. **If you received a cheque please now provide us with your bank details.** 

Advice on the eligibility criteria and the application process is available on this link <a href="https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/schoolsandlearning">https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/schoolsandlearning</a>.

You will also find a list of frequently asked questions which may help with any enquiry you have - you can also submit an online enquiry form from the webpage.

Please note that this additional payment is **only** for children who are eligible for free school meals.

Yours sincerely

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