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Dear Parent or Guardian

## Free School Meals Payment December 2020

I am writing to advise that the Council will be making free school meal payments over the Christmas holiday period for pupils whose parent(s) or guardian(s) are in receipt of certain benefits which entitles their child to a free school meal.

Currently all children in primaries 1-3 receive a free school meal due to Scottish Government policy. However, only those families who would be eligible for a free school meal because of the benefits they receive will be able to get the payment. We would encourage anyone who thinks they may be eligible to apply for this payment as soon as possible.

To find out if you are eligible to apply, please visit the web page below: <a href="http://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/Freeschoolmealsandclothinggrants">http://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/Freeschoolmealsandclothinggrants</a>

All applications should be made no later than **Thursday 10 December 2020** in order to receive payment in time for the Christmas holiday period.

The payment made for each child whose family qualify for free school meals will be £2.25 per day of the holiday period which based on 12 days holiday, amounts to £27 per child.

Please note, if you have already made an application for a free school meal in the 20/21 academic session then there is no need to apply again.

If you have any queries in relation to applying for free school meals, please contact 0300 300 0300.

Yours sincerely

Steven Quinn

Director of Children's Services