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Dear parents

As of Monday 4th May we will be using the Governments National system for Free Schools Meals vouchers.

You will receive this support;

- **In the form of an eCode . This will need to be exchanged online from a selection of supermarket 'eGift cards' if the school has a working email address for you,**
- **If you do not have an email address or access to the internet, we will print off the voucher, or 'eGift card' for you and and post it or deliver it to your home address,**

What's the difference between an eCode and an eGift card?

eCode – this is the 16 digit code which will be sent to you if you receive an email from your school administrator. You'll need this code to access www.freeschoolmeals.co.uk and choose your supermarket eGift card. **You cannot use the eCode directly with the retailer, it must be exchanged for an eGift card.**

eGift card – each supermarket has their own eGift card. To order your eGift, redeem your eCode at www.freeschoolmeals.co.uk. The eGift card will be sent to the email address entered during check-out and can be spent instore at the chosen supermarket. Your school may select your eGift card for you and either print it and post it to you, or arrange for you to collect it.

What supermarkets are available?

- Morrisons
- Tesco
- Sainsbury's
- Asda
- Waitrose
- M&S food
- Aldi

How do I use a supermarket eGift card?

A supermarket eGift card is a digital voucher. The eGift card email contains a link to a barcode which can be presented at the till in-store either on a smartphone screen or printed on a piece of paper, just like a gift card. Some eGift cards can be used to purchase online.

I'm not able to get to the supermarket?

You can forward the supermarket eGift card to someone else to purchase goods on your behalf if you're not able to get to the supermarket. The eGift card email contains a link to a barcode which can be presented at the till in-store, just like a gift card.

For more information and guidance on how to redeem your code, please visit

<https://www.edenred.co.uk/reward-ipients/Free-School-Meal-Vouchers/>

