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Dear Parent / Carers 26/03/2020

I hope you are keeping well and safe during this difficult time.

The school continues to remain closed for the majority of children. I now have a list of children who are eligible to attend school during this period, and ask that the parents of these children email br-admin@vennacademy.org if their circumstances change.

Free School Meals (FSM)

Each day we are making packed lunches for children entitled to a <u>Free School Meal (FSM)</u>, **IF** eligible parents have requested this by replying to the text message that I have sent. To be eligible for FSM you must be in receipt of certain benefits (see below).

We are not sending out packed lunches to children entitled to <u>Universal Infant Free Schools Meals (UIFSM)</u>. UIFSM is provided to ALL children in F2 – Y2, regardless of parents' financial situation. <u>UIFSM is different to FSM</u>.

Next week we are <u>hoping</u> to move to a voucher system for parents entitled to <u>FSM</u>, which will allow me to further reduce the number of staff in school.

Therefore, if your child is currently NOT receiving FSM, please check your eligibility by completing a simple form at https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/doitonline/free-school-meals

If you find that you are eligible, please forward the confirmation email to <u>br-admin@vennacademy.org</u> detailing your child's name and class.

Welfare checks

From Monday (30/03), all parents will receive a phone call each week. This will enable us to check that children, parents and families are healthy and safe.

As we receive new updates from The Government and the VENN Academy Trust we will let you know through Twitter page @AcademyBrooke and our website https://brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk/

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and carers for their support during this difficult time.

Kind regards

Emma Levers Head of School

