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Dear Parent / Guardian

## **October Holiday Food Support**

North Tyneside Council knows that this has been a very difficult year for many people across our borough, and we have worked hard to ensure that families and individuals who need our help get as much support as we can give. More information on support available from the Council, advice, and signposting to other relevant organisations can be found by visiting the Cost-of-living pages on the North Tyneside Website available via the link below:

https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/1652/cost-living-support

The government has provided us with some Household Support Grant funding to support families with the cost of food in the school holidays. This is part of a wider approach across North Tyneside by the council to help people in response to the rising cost of living.

We are using the Household Support Grant funding to help those families whose children are in receipt of free school meals because they meet the income related benefits criteria. We have used the Household Support Grant to ensure that all eligible families receive £15 per child for use during the half term holiday break.

The voucher code will be paid for each child through an online account managed by Edenred, a company well-known for working with schools and other organisations to provide this kind of help. The voucher codes

support you if you need it. If you have a general query about the vouchers over the half term holidays, you can contact the Social Inclusion Team on the email above. Queries will be dealt with 10.00-11.00 and 3.00-4.00 Monday to Friday until Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November.

name, school, and the issue you have.

Your faithfully

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