



Finance Service

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Dear Parent

Summer holidays are starting and we know what a difficult time this can be financially. As has been done for all the school holidays since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, we will provide you with some extra financial help.

You will be sent one £90 voucher for use over the 6-week summer holidays for use at either Aldi or Iceland. This does not need to be used in one go, and you can use the voucher over several shopping trips. It can only be used at either Aldi or Iceland and cannot be used at both.

If you have been sent any vouchers that you have not yet claimed, please claim these, including the one we're sending you for the summer holidays, before the end of September 2022. At this point, we will reclaim any unclaimed vouchers. If you need help claiming a voucher, please contact support@evouchers.com.

As well as vouchers you can also join one of our food clubs / pantries. It costs just £1 to join for a year and then you can access £15 bags of food for just £3.50. Lots of families find these helpful with a good selection of items are available. You can find out where the local food clubs and pantries are at rochdale.gov.uk/EarlyHelp.

Our early help teams can also support with lots of issues you and your family may be facing. If you wish to speak to someone from early help then please contact them on early.help@rochdale.gov.uk or 0300 303 8801.

We will be running our usual holiday activity fund over the summer, there will be some wonderful activities on for your children across the borough and meals will be provided. Our Children's Centres will be open throughout the holiday providing early year's activities for you and your children. Please keep an eye on our website, our social media or contact our early help team if you need more information.

We can also help if you are struggling to pay your rent. Discretionary Housing Payments are available to help if the Housing Benefit or Universal Credit you receive isn't enough to pay your rent. These aren't part of normal Housing Benefit or Universal Credit schemes but are payments we may be able to make where you need extra financial support. You can find out more about these and all the other support we have available at rochdale.gov.uk/householdsupport or call us on 0300 303 8870.

Take care,

Rochdale Borough Council