Dear Parents and carers,

Changes to holiday support from summer 2026

From summer 2026, schools will no longer give supermarket vouchers during the holidays. This is because the government has changed how it provides funding for people who need financial help.

What support will be available?

Help will still be available, including support with food during school holidays. This support will be aimed at people facing unexpected financial difficulties. It will be based on your household's needs and may include:

- Practical help
- Advice and guidance
- Support from local services and community groups

Other support you can access

There is also a wide range of other help available:

- **Holiday Activities and Food (HAF):**
  Free activities, healthy meals and fun opportunities for children and young people during the school holidays
- **Help to improve your finances:**
  Local and national support to help families increase income and manage money
- **Free School Meals:**
  Available during term time if your child is eligible

How to apply

When schools break up for summer, you can apply online for crisis support at: liverpool.gov.uk/crf
The application is simple. We will ask a few questions about:

- Why you need support
- Your income

If you cannot apply online, we can help you. Please contact our customer engagement team or financial inclusion team.

Find out more

Visit the city council website and search "Crisis Resilience Fund".

Yours sincerely

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