

# St Wilfrid's Catholic School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you and your families are all keeping safe and well and coping as best you can in the current situation.

I am fully aware that the closure of Gatwick, as well as the impact of the lockdown on other businesses in and around Crawley, will have had an impact upon many families' finances. If you have been impacted in this way and are currently out of work/not receiving an income, or if your income has been significantly reduced, you may be entitled to benefits through the universal credit system. If you are unsure/have not yet applied, you can access more information and begin the application process using this link <https://www.gov.uk/apply-universal-credit>.

As well as this, you may wish to apply for you son/daughter to receive a Free School Meal. The following link below gives you information regarding eligibility and how to apply <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/#is-my-child-eligible>. Although the current situation regarding schools does not mean that your child would receive a meal actually in school, all families who have eligible children are now registered for a national food voucher scheme which sees vouchers issued weekly which can be redeemed at various supermarkets. If your son/daughter is in Yr 11 or Yr 13, you may still be eligible to apply as the actual date that any student "officially leaves school" is not until the end of June.

If you are at all unsure about this or need to speak to someone at school regarding this, please feel free to email Miss Kennedy [m.kennedy@stwilfrids.com](mailto:m.kennedy@stwilfrids.com) who may be able to guide you in the process.

My very best wishes to you all and I sincerely look forward to the day where we can reopen the school as normal and welcome everyone back.

Yours sincerely

Michael Ferry  
Headteacher