

## Winterton Community Academy

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Dear Parents / Carers,

We have been asked to draw your attention to the EU settlement scheme and asked to remind any families this may be relevant to within school to ensure they have applied before the deadline date of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

Please refer below to information from the Citizens Advice that may be of assistance. It is anticipated that most families will have already completed, however worthwhile to remind such families where possible. Citizens Advice are able to offer any family assistance to complete if they are struggling. Some families will only need to apply for adults in the family, however in some cases it is necessary for the children to have registration as well.

## Citizens Advice – EU Settlement Scheme Key Information

Citizens Advice in Lincolnshire is part of the EU Settlement Scheme Support team funded by the Home Office. Part of this work includes promoting the scheme in the North Lincolnshire area to ensure that EU, EEA, and Swiss nationals and their families are aware of the scheme and the need to apply for it. Our EUSS Support Team are now intensifying our awareness campaign as we approach the deadline to apply to the scheme - 30th June 2021.

There are now less than 10 days left to apply to the scheme. Any EU citizen – as some of your pupils, parents, carers and staff may be - who fail to secure a successful application to the EU Settlement Scheme, may lose the right to live in the UK and to attend your school legally. For this reason, we are working hard to provide advice with general queries as well as end to end support for applicants with more complex cases.

Our EU Settlement Scheme Support is a free, confidential service, delivered through Citizens Advice South Lincolnshire (CASL) and funded by the Home Office to provide support throughout Lincolnshire. We can provide information about the scheme, a free support service and we are providing our contact details to pupils and their parents or relatives.

I have also included a link to a short two minute video which explains the application process for children, please find the link below.

Securing your child's rights and status in the UK: <a href="https://youtu.be/cW0j4-BPJF4">https://youtu.be/cW0j4-BPJF4</a>

Please see details of our service below

- EU Settlement Scheme South Lincs Support Team Contact Details:
- Adviceline: 0800 448 0734 (Lines Open:Mon-Fri 9.30am-4.30pm)
- Email:eussreferral@citizensadvicesouthlincs.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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