

Winterton Community Academy

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Dear parent / guardian,

In our commitment to ensure 'no child will go hungry'. I am writing to share with you the initial plans to deliver on our vision.

On Monday 5th December we will begin running a breakfast and afterschool club. These will be available on a daily basis **(Monday-Friday) 8.00-8.50am and 3.30-4.30pm.** There is no need to book provision. Students can simply arrive at The Student Centre where they can have access to a warm, safe environment, with access to computers, games, resources, staff and breakfast (cereals, toast, porridge, fruits, yoghurts and a drink) in the morning. The afterschool session will also be held in The Student Centre, where students will have access to a warm tea (such as beans on toast) along with a range of other foods, snacks and drinks. This is also an ideal opportunity for students to complete homework whilst utilising support from school staff and school resources such as computers and internet access.

Tuesday 6th December will see the opening of our foodbank in school. This currently houses tins and non-perishable goods. Sanitary products and some household goods are also available.

It is our intention on a Monday (starting from Monday 12th December) to include a range of 'fresh produce'. This will include items such as milk, bread, butter, meats, eggs, fruit and vegetables.

The school food bank is held in our staff room. If you would like access to the foodbank please contact our Attendance Inclusion Officer Hannah Rhymer Newbould either by phone (01724 732777 extension 113) or by email <u>rhymer-newbould.h@wintertonca.com</u>. Hannah will discretely give you access to the provisions available.

We will continue to develop our provision in school to include a warm space and a hot drink to anyone that needs it. Further details of this will be communicated in due course.

In the meantime, The Village Hall Winteringham Warm Hub is open from 14th December on a Wednesday and Friday 1-4.30pm and Saturday and Sunday 1-4.00pm.

Winterton Town Council are hosting a Christmas Jumper and Warm Coats Hub today, 2nd December, between 2-4pm at the Town Council Offices on West Street.

It is essential that in these challenging times, everyone knows how to access further advice, guidance, and support. This is available both from North Lincolnshire Council and external agencies and organisations. This guidance offers help including grants and benefits available and help with training and employment opportunities. Please follow the link below to access further information.

https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/people-health-and-care/financial-support-advice-and-guidance/#1627038921996-4ec02fc9-4a4e

In addition, you may find the organisations below can offer you help, guidance and advice:

Scunthorpe Foodbank www.scunthorpe.foodbank.org.uk – or ring 0300 102 8061

Citizens Advice www.citizensadvice.org.uk – or ring 01724 870941 Information line open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 10 am and 4 pm

Government Cost Of Living Support www.helpforhouseholds.campaign.gov.uk

As was shared in our previous communication, we know that we serve a very special community and we feel that we have a role to play in supporting that community and pulling together through challenging times.

Donations to the food and clothing bank can be made at any time during opening hours or, if you contact reception, we will arrange to come and collect if that is preferable. Students can also help by bringing any items down to reception.

If you know of anyone who may be in of need support, please encourage them to contact us.

Please also help to raise awareness of the support and opportunities that are available. Our doors will be open, not just to the parents of children in the school, but to anyone that needs us.

Yours in community spirt,

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Louise Daveran and the Academy Leadership Team.