

## Appendix 5

### Tackling Holiday Hunger - Free School Meals Provision During School Holidays

**Fig 1: Number of Vouchers provided during school holidays by educational establishment and holiday**

	Number of vouchers issued				
	Covid Winter Grant Scheme			Covid Local Support Grant (Part1)	<b>Total vouchers issued by educational setting</b>
	Christmas 2020	February Half Term 2021	Easter Holidays 2021	May Half Term 2021	
Mainstream Schools and Academy Schools (school age)	21,686	21,561	22,298	23,072	<b>88,617</b>
FE Colleges	659	733	537	829	<b>2,758</b>
Alternative Education providers	103	41	52	83	<b>279</b>
Private Voluntary Independent Early Years providers	2,221	1,285	973	1,856	<b>6,335</b>
School Early Years Providers	1,042	1,261	1,335	1,664	<b>5,302</b>
<b>Total number of vouchers issued:</b>	<b>25,711</b>	<b>24,881</b>	<b>25,195</b>	<b>27,504</b>	

The data in figure 1 does not show the number of children and young people who are eligible for Free School Meals or funded childcare, but the number of vouchers issued to children and young people who are already claiming their free school meal or childcare place. We understand that not all families claim their entitlements so would not be known to educational establishments as being eligible (this is particularly the case for children and young people of school age).

What can be evidenced however, is the increase in claims amongst school aged children of free school meals from 21,686 during the Christmas holidays 2020, to 23,072 to May Half term 2021. Data for other establishments do not include all children or all settings so this data does not evidence an increase in children eligible for FSM or funded childcare.

**Figure 2: Estimated number of meals provided during the school holidays**

	Christmas 2020 (x10 days)	February Half Term 2021 (x5 days)	Easter Holidays 2021 (x10 days)	May Half Term 2021 (x5 days)	<b>Totals</b>

<b>Total number of vouchers issued by school holiday</b>	25,711	24,881	25,195	27,504	<b>103,291</b>
<b>Estimated Number of meals provided by school holiday</b>	257,110	124,405	251,950	137,520	<b>770,985</b>