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## **BEWARE OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS MONEY SCAM**

Pembrokeshire County Council is warning of fraudsters trying to take advantage of the current coronavirus outbreak.

The Council has been made aware of an email scam being sent to residents regarding free school meals during school closures.

The email states 'as schools will be closing, if you're entitled to free school meals, please send your bank details and we'll make sure you're supported.'

This email is fraudulent and should be deleted.

Residents should always be wary of sending any personal or bank details in response to an unsolicited email.

For advice on scams please contact the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on 03454 040506 / 03454 040505 (Welsh Speaker).

More information about scams and how to guard against them can be found at the website: <https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk>

***For further information contact: Lee Day, Communications Officer, on 01437 775855. The Council's press releases are also available on the Authority's website: <http://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk>***