

St Matthew Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: Increase in Data Allowances.

I hope you are all safe and well at this time. I am writing to inform you of an opportunity to increase data allowances on mobile devices to support children's remote learning. This a government scheme designed to help children who:

- Do not have fixed broadband at home
- Cannot afford additional data for their devices
- Are experiencing disruption to their face-to-face education

Children with access to a mobile phone on one of the following networks might be able to benefit: Three, Smarty, Virgin Mobile, EE, Tesco Mobile, Sky Mobile and O2. Other providers may join the scheme at a later stage.

What do you need to do?

Complete the form using the link <https://forms.gle/oBex9mdRJTj1S7RA> after checking your eligibility for each network provider in the table below. If you would like to receive written information first, regarding how your data will be used, you can find details of this [here](#).

Please ensure the form is completed no later than **Wednesday 13th January**. Forms received after this date may not be submitted. Some network providers are only making this offer available to 1000 pupils across the country so the sooner we get the details, the better your chances of being allocated this provision.

What happens next?

We will double check that you meet the criteria for your network provider and inform you if there is no offer available. Once the data is submitted, and your network provider has processed a data increase, they will send a text message to the account holder. This may take a few weeks (as indicated below) so please be patient. As previously mentioned, there is limited availability of this offer so unfortunately not all applications will be successful.

What can you use the data for?

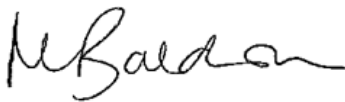
If your application is successful then pupils should use the data to access remote learning provided by the Academy. Data received can be used to connect to another device like a laptop or tablet for internet access.

The additional data should not be used for gaming, social media or other activities that have not been set by the Academy. Most network providers will place restrictions on the data provided.

Eligibility and details of provision

Network provider	Available to Pay-as-you-go customers?	Available to Pay Monthly customers?	How long will the process take?	How will you know you're successful	What you will receive if successful	When the offer will end
EE	Yes	Yes	Not disclosed	Text message to nominated device	20GB of additional data per month	31 st July 2021
Sky Mobile	No	Yes	14 days	Data lift in your piggybank	100GB of additional data	Not disclosed
Smarty	Yes	Yes	14 days	Text message to nominated device	Unlimited data	31 st July 2021
Tesco Mobile	No	Yes	14 days	Text message to nominated device	20GB of additional data per month	31 st July 2021
Three	Yes	Yes	14 days	Text message to nominated device	Unlimited data	31 st July 2021
Virgin Mobile	No	Yes	14 days	Text message to nominated device	20GB of additional data per month	31 st July 2021
O2	Yes	No	Not disclosed	Text message to nominated device	40GB of additional data per month	31 st July 2021

Yours faithfully



Ms M Baldwin
Headteacher