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Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We want to make you aware that families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Your child is eligible for free school meals if you are in receipt of one of the following:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

Registering for free meals could also raise an extra £1,320 for school to fund valuable support like extra tuition and additional teaching staff. This additional money (pupil premium) is available from central government for every child whose parent is receiving one of the benefits listed above.

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 they are automatically entitled to 'Universal Free School meals'. However, if you are in receipt of one of the listed benefits we encourage you to still apply for free school meals as only then will school receive the additional pupil premium funding.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

Kind regards,

Mr K. Moloney Headteacher

