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Dear Parent/Carer,

Pupil Premium

The Pupil Premium Grant is awarded to support children of all ages with their academic progress particularly in Maths and English but can also be used by the school to support any scheme or fund any opportunity that we believe will build their self-esteem and confidence. This has included one to one support in school, special resources, funding for trips, music lessons and after school activities.

Once a child has qualified for the Pupil Premium Grant they will continue to receive it through their current Key Stage even if circumstances change. **If you think that your child might qualify or if your circumstances change, please contact the school office who will help you with the application process.**

Eligibility for Pupil Premium

Free school meals are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit In addition, the following pupils will be protected against losing their free school meals as follows:
- From 1 April 2018, all existing free school meals claimants will continue to receive free school meals whilst Universal Credit is rolled out. This will apply even if their earnings rise above the new threshold during that time.
- In addition, any child gaining eligibility for free school meals after 1 April 2018 will be protected against losing free school meals during the Universal Credit rollout period.
- Once Universal Credit is fully rolled out, any existing claimants that no longer meet the eligibility criteria at that point (because they are earning above the threshold or are no longer a recipient of Universal Credit) will continue to receive free school meals until the end of their current phase of education (i.e. primary or secondary). The Universal Credit rollout is currently expected to complete in March 2022.

Free school meals are also available to the following:

- Children with a parent who has served in the British regular armed forces in the last three years or children who are in receipt of an armed forces pension.
- Children who were looked after by an English or Welsh local authority immediately before being adopted, or who left local authority care on a special guardianship order or child arrangements order.

Please complete the 'Application for Free School Meals' if you feel you are eligible.

Thank you,

Carol Simpson
Bursar