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Dear Parent/Guardian

### Free School Meals eligibility

We understand that the ongoing cost of living crisis has been challenging. Alongside this many families have faced changes in their financial circumstances.

If your child is **not currently in receipt** of Free School Meals, please take a moment to review the eligibility criteria. Your child may be eligible if you receive:

- 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 guaranteed 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 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If you feel your child is now eligible, please fill in this online form:

[Admission Form 8](#)

If your child **is currently receiving** Free School Meals, you do not need to do anything.

It is always worth checking your child's eligibility for Free School Meals. If eligible, you are not obliged to accept the free school meals for your child, however we always want to encourage applications as the additional Pupil Premium funding gained by the school would benefit all students' education.

Many thanks for your support.

Yours sincerely

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