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Dear Parents and Carers

Pupil Premium and Free School Meals

You may be aware about the changes to the eligibility criteria for Free School Meals and Pupil Premium, which are being introduced from September 2026, meaning that more families may now qualify for support, even if they were not previously eligible.

Key Changes and Eligibility Criteria

From September 2026, there are two categories of Free School Meals:

- Targeted FSM – for all pupils in households receiving Universal Credit with annual household earnings of £7,400 or less. Children who qualify under this category will also attract Pupil Premium funding for the school.
- Expanded FSM – for all pupils in households receiving Universal Credit - with no earnings threshold. Children in this category will receive Free School Meals only.

Who Can Apply?

Your child may be entitled to Free School Meals if you receive any of the following:

- Universal Credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Support as a family with No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF), subject to certain criteria
- Small-group or individual tuition
- Resources and interventions to help pupils achieve their full potential

Please note that pupils who qualify for Expanded FSM:

- Will receive Free School Meals; however
- Will not attract Pupil Premium funding for the school



How to Apply

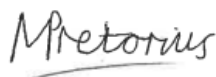
Please complete and sign the accompanying application form. This only needs to be completed once.

We will carry out eligibility checks throughout the academic year. If your child moves to another school, their eligibility may be reassessed automatically.

It is important that you inform either the school or the local authority if your financial circumstances change.

Thank you for taking the time to consider whether your family may be eligible for this support.

Best Wishes,



Mrs Pretorius
Headteacher

