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Dear Parents/Carers

As you are aware, all children in Reception, Year One and Year Two are now entitled to a free school meal every day.

For the past few years all schools have received additional funding based on the number of pupils who are eligible for free school meals. This funding is used to enhance the education for all the children:

To enable this additional funding to continue we still need to know if pupils would be eligible to receive free school meals. We are therefore asking you to continue to register through the office. The current criteria is:

Your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following benefits:

- 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)

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who are eligible and registered to receive free school meals are also entitled to free school trips.

The front office can easily check your entitlement for your child to continue to receive free school meals. They will need your National Insurance No. date of birth and surname to be able to help. Please see attached form for completion.

Yours sincerely

Mrs T Gravely

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