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Dear Parents and carers,

Free School Meals, Food Vouchers & Holiday Activity Vouchers

At Eastry, like the rest of the UK, children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 currently receive a free school meal called 'Universal Free School Meal'.

However, all children including those in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, may be entitled to Free School Meals which differs to the Universal Free School Meals. If a family receives certain benefits (e.g. Universal Credit, Income Support or Job Seeker's Allowance), and your income is below a certain level, you may qualify. If you feel this may apply to you we would encourage you to apply for Free School Meals for your child.

As well as receiving a free school meal, parents also currently qualify for food vouchers during the school holidays and activity vouchers during the Christmas, Easter and Summer Holiday. In addition, the school receives additional funding called Pupil Premium which is used to support children's learning.

If you feel you may qualify please apply via the Kent County Council website which can be found at; <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/free-school-meals>

If you have any further questions please speak to Miss Bowers in the school office. All enquiries will be dealt with in the strictest confidence.

Kind regards,

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