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Dear Parents,

## SCHOOL MEAL FUNDING – CHANGES & ENTITLEMENT (ACTION NEEDED)

All children in Year R, 1 & 2 can eat a meal provided by school free of charge, and this will not change. What is changing is the way that schools are re-imbursed for the meals.

Currently, the funding of these meals is received from the Government via one of two sources:

Benefit related **Free School Meals (FSM)**, where a parent is in receipt of qualifying benefits, meets the criteria and the household income is no more than £7400.

Or

**Universal Infant Free School Meals (UiFSM)** programme, for any family that is not eligible for benefit related Free School Meals.

### WHAT'S NEW

From September, the Government are expanding the funding of the Free School Meal provision to include **all children from households receiving Universal Credit regardless of their household earnings.**

### ACTION NEEDED:

To ensure that our records are accurate and up to date, we would like any family in receipt of Universal Credit to register your eligibility on the Southampton City Council Website [Free School Meal eligibility check](#)

If you would prefer us to do this on your behalf, we will need you to email [toldbury@glenfieldschool.co.uk](mailto:toldbury@glenfieldschool.co.uk) with

- Your name
- Date of birth
- National Insurance number
- Permission to check your on your behalf

Eligibility results will be:

**Targeted FSM** – this is families in receipt of qualifying benefits with a household income of £7400 or less – additional support may be provided by school.

**Expanded FSM** – This is for households in receipt of Universal Credit, with income of more than £7400 (meal funding only).

**Not found or pending** – eligibility will continue to be checked monthly; your child will continue to receive free meals under the UiFSM funding.

If you have any questions, or would like to see the full explanation, please contact me.

Kind regards

Tina Oldbury



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the child

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