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Dear Parent/Carer

Free School Meals Eligibility

We are writing to let you know, that although your Reception child is entitled to receive a daily universal infant free school meal (paid for by the Government), school receives extra funding per child (called Pupil Premium Grant) if your family meets the criteria for statutory free school meals. You will meet this statutory criteria if your family is in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Jobseeker's Allowance (income based)
- Employment Support Allowance (income related)
- Support under the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guaranteed Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit – if your letter shows you have an annual income of less than £16,190 and do not get Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - your earned income must be less than £7,400 a year

We use the Pupil Premium Grant funding to provide pupils with invaluable additional support here in school, and to further fund enrichment activities.

Therefore, we urge all parents to apply for the statutory meal allowance if they think they are entitled to it. This includes parents in KS1 whose child is taking universal infant free school meals and also meets the requirements for statutory free school meals. Under the current lockdown measures, only families who are eligible (and have applied for) statutory free school meals are receiving the weekly £15 supermarket vouchers. This type of situation reinforces how important it is for all families to check whether they are eligible, in order to ensure that no families miss out on this valuable financial support.

If you think you may fall into one of the above categories, please contact housing benefits on 01204 331590 or visit <https://www.bolton.gov.uk/free-school-meals-clothing-allowance/free-school-meals-help-school-uniform>. Alternatively, you can call in person to the 'One Stop Shop' at Bolton Town Hall, where help and advice is available free of charge.

Thank you for your support and for helping to make sure the school receives as much funding as possible, to give every pupil the support and education they deserve.

If you need further clarification on any of the above, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

Mr Watson
Headteacher