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Dear Parent/Carer

Eligibility Criteria for Free School Meals

We are aware that the withdrawal of furlough and cuts to benefits may sadly be negatively impacting you, could I take this opportunity to remind you of the eligibility criteria for Free School Meals and the fact that signing up for Free School Meals brings the school additional funding, allowing us to support your child with trips, revision materials and other support as required.

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

- * 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)

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll remain eligible until they finish the phase of schooling (primary or secondary) they are in on 31 March 2022.

Please click on the link below, to access the relevant application form: It is a 5-minute process but please have your National Insurance number to hand!

Visit www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals

Or call their customer service centre on 0300 123 4048 (8am-8pm Monday to Friday, 9am-4pm Saturday).

Please contact Mr E Macaulay, Assistant Principal via email macaulaye@haileyburyturnford.com if you have any questions.

Yours faithfully



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