



Westlands Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

As you will already know your child has been entitled to receive a free school meal under the Government's initiative to provide all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 with a school dinner.

Now that your child is moving up into Year 3 they will no longer be entitled to a free school dinner unless they qualify for means-tested free school meals. If you are in receipt of the following benefits your child will be eligible:

- Universal Credit – if you apply on or after April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- 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
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying and Working Tax Credit

Please complete the enclosed application form for free school meals if you think you may be eligible and return it to the school office as soon as possible.

If you are eligible for means-tested free school meals, you will also be eligible for Pupil Premium funding. This means that the school will receive additional funding to purchase more resources for your child's education and it is therefore vitally important that you complete the enclosed form ***even if your child wishes to bring a packed lunch from home.***

We actively promote a healthy, balanced diet here at Westlands Primary and offer high-quality meat, poultry, or oily fish, fruit and vegetables, and bread or other cereals and potatoes on a daily basis. A copy of next term's menu is enclosed.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Payne
Trust Head of School