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Dear Parents & Carers



### Free School Meals



**Your child may be eligible for additional funding for 'Free School Meals'** if you receive any of the benefits listed below; you could help our school get valuable extra funding through the pupil premium if you meet the qualifying criteria (FS to Yr 6). Although children in Foundation Stage, Year 1 and Year 2 automatically receive 'Free School Meals', eligible children in Year 3 to 6 would qualify too.



### Who is eligible for free school meals?



- Income support
- Income-based jobseeker's allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- National asylum seeker support
- 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)
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Working tax credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for working tax credit.



If eligible, there are many ways that we can help financially with uniform, PE Kits, trips and the residential trip. Extra funding through the pupil premium could also be used towards extra tuition, learning assistants or even after school clubs. So there really is nothing to lose!



Please speak to the office, telephone the Free School Meals Service on 0116 252 7009 or visit [www.leicester.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.leicester.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals) to apply online.



Yours sincerely,  
Miss S Williams  
Pupil Premium Champion

