



7th September 2018

Dear Parents/Carers of Y3,

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Lincolnshire County Council have introduced a new process for entitlement to free school meals. Previously we asked you to complete a simple form for us to input; however, we have since been informed that from 4th September 2018, Lincolnshire County Council require parents to apply online, even if you were previously entitled to free school meals. Please see the enclosed guidance for parents on how to apply.

Whilst the school are not permitted to do this on your behalf, we are more than happy to assist you in school with this process.

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Your child is eligible for free school meals if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

This additional money is available from central government for every child whose parents are receiving any of the benefits listed above.

Registering for free meals could also raise extra money for your child's school to fund valuable support like extra tuition, additional teaching staff, or after-school activities.

If you require any further information or assistance, please let us know.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. D. Gibbons
Headteacher

