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Tuesday 13th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

IMPORTANT PLEASE COMPLETE

As you are aware, for children in Year 3 and above to obtain a free school meal you need to personally apply. Unlike the Infants when it falls under the Universal Free School Meal Scheme.

In addition to this, some children are also eligible for extra funding called Pupil Premium, which is spent directly on improving your child's education and well-being.

This funding needs to be applied for and we are offering to do this on your behalf. In order to check your eligibility, please complete this form and return it to the school office by the 13th September 2022. Or feel free to complete the form online via the following link.

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx#year3>

This will be treated with upmost confidentiality and it will not affect any other benefits you may be claiming. Further details can be found in the attached document.

Childs Name																
	First Parent/Carer								Second Parent/Carer							
First Name																
Surname																
Date of Birth																
National Insurance Number (NI No) e.g. AB123456C																
National Asylum Support Service (NASS) number (YYMMNNNNN)																

Kind regards,

L Gillam

Mrs L Gillam
Inclusion Leader

WHAT IS THE PUPIL PREMIUM GRANT

The Government gives money to schools to help children from lower income families and this funding is called 'Pupil Premium'.

With this money we can help towards providing additional support for your child's education in a variety of ways for example; learning resources, clubs and interventions to support classroom learning and teaching, music tuition to provide an alternative learning perspective and help towards the cost of school trips.

It is extremely important that we do all that we can to ensure that eligible children access their entitlement and there is a common misconception that you must be on benefits to claim.

To be eligible for Pupil Premium funding, KS2 parents/carers must apply for Free School Meals. In order to be eligible for Free School Meals, parents/carers must be in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- **Income Support**
- **Income-based Jobseekers Allowance**
- **Income-related Employment and Support Allowance**
- **Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999**
- **The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit**
- **Child Tax Credit** (as long as you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and you don't get more than **£16,190** a year)
- **Working Tax Credit run-on** (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- **Universal Credit** (with annual earned income of no more than **£7,400** after tax and not including any benefits you get).

To ensure eligibility you need to register every year.