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Dear Parent/Guardian,

FREE SCHOOL MEAL ELIGIBILITY

We want to make sure that we are providing your child with the best education and support we can. Healthy school food has obvious health benefits and can help pupils establish healthy habits for life. Healthy school food can also help to improve pupils' readiness to learn.

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

- **Universal Credit** (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earning from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).
- [Income Support](#)
- [Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance \(JSA\)](#)
- **Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)**
- **Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999**
- **The guarantee element of Pension Credit**
- [Child Tax Credit](#) (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- [Working Tax Credit](#) run-on (paid for the four weeks after the person stops qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

Free school meals for children in all households with no recourse to public funds (NRPF) has been permanently extended subject to maximum income thresholds. Families in this group should telephone 0300 500 80 80 to apply

- **Zambrano carers**
- **families who have no recourse to public funds with a right to remain in the UK on grounds of private and family life under Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights**
- **families receiving support under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 who are also subject to a no recourse to public funds restriction**
- **a subset of failed asylum seekers supported under Section 4 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999**
- **Chen carers**
- **families holding a [BN\(O\) passport](#)**
- **spousal visa holders**
- **work visa holders**
- **student visa holders**
- **those with no immigration status.**

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

To check if you are eligible, please contact Nottinghamshire County Council Tel 0300 500 80 80 or complete an application form which can be accessed at <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-milk>

Yours faithfully

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