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Dear Parents

We have been informed by North Yorkshire County Council that there are some families eligible for free school meals that are **not** currently claiming this support.

Free school meals could **save families up to £450 a year** per child; a much needed financial boost due to the cost of living increasing. School meals can also save you time and provide peace of mind that your child is enjoying a healthy, fresh and nutritious meal at lunchtime.

If you receive certain benefits, your child could also qualify for free school meals during all primary school years. To qualify you must be receiving:

- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods (£616.67 per month)
- Income Support
- Income-Based Jobseekers' Allowance
- Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, providing you are **not entitled to Working Tax Credit** and have an annual household income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- A "Run-on" of Working Tax Credit - the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

This may not be relevant to you but if at any point your circumstances change or if you feel you may qualify please visit <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals> and download and complete the form; applying for additional funding.

Please contact the school office if you wish to discuss this further or require any assistance with your application.

Yours sincerely

A Russell
Headteacher

