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Dear Parents

Free School Meals: Government guidance 22.10.2022

The guidance permanently extends free school meal eligibility to children in all households with no recourse to public funds (NRPF), subject to maximum income thresholds.

There is an application form for families and carers to verify your eligibility. For those families with no recourse to public funds (NRPF): The government has also permanently extended free school meal eligibility to children in all households with no recourse to public funds. School cannot, however, use the eligibility checking system (ECS) to confirm your eligibility and you will not be in receipt of Universal Credit or legacy benefits.

The maximum income threshold differs based on your location and the number of children that your family has. Under the permanent extension of free school meal eligibility to all NRPF groups, the annual household income thresholds for those families able to work are:

- £22,700 for families outside of London with 1 child
- £26,300 for families outside of London with 2 or more children
- In addition to these thresholds, families must hold no more than £16,000 in capital and savings.

We have attached a [sample application form](#), including a self-declaration that you can complete to verify your eligibility. If you have any difficulty in completing the form, please let us know and we will help you

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Whateley
Headteacher



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