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Monday 2nd November

Free School Meals Support / Pupil Premium

Dear parents / guardians,

At this time we know that many families may be facing financial challenges. We would like to signpost you towards a service that could support your family at this difficult time. **If you currently meet one of the criteria below, your child may be able to receive a daily free meal provided by the school.** When families apply for pupil premium funding, it also gives school funds to help support your child's learning.

You will qualify if you are currently receiving 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
- Child Tax Credit but not Working Tax Credit and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If you or a partner receive Working Tax Credit regardless of income you will not qualify for free school meals.

If you think you meet at least one of the criteria, please click on the link below and apply for free school meals. This process is then managed by Cheshire West and Chester, who will then notify school if your application has been approved. Once we have this approval, we can then start supporting your children with a free daily meal.

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/school-meals.aspx>

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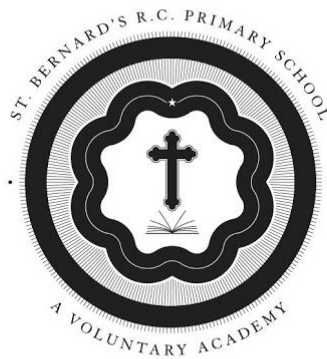
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Important notice for parents with children in Teams Reception, One and Two

As you will be aware, the government currently provides universal free school meals to children in Reception to Year 2. **Due to this, many parents who may meet the criteria above don't apply for free school meals. If your child is currently in one of these year groups and you do currently meet at least one of the criteria in the list above, please still apply. It will give the school additional funding.**

Further information is available under the Pupil Premium section on the school website.

As always, thank you for your continued support and stay safe.

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