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Dear Parents and Carers.

Universal Free School Meals and Free School Meals (UFSM)

This letter explains what UFSM and FSM means to you and your child.

UFSM - Universal Free School Meals

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 (known as KS1) are entitled to universal free school meals (UFSM). You don't have to apply and this funding continues until your child moves into year 3.

Free School Meals (FSM)

If you are receiving a qualifying benefit, as well as entitlement for free school meals, the school would receive an extra £1,385 in 'pupil premium' funding to support their learning and help pay for school activities!

Even if your child is in Reception, years 1 or 2 and receiving UFSM, you can still apply for FSM.

Do you qualify? You can register your child for Free School Meals if you get any of these benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Check to see if you are eligible and register today using the Wiltshire Council parent portal. Click on the link to access the portal. https://parentportal.wiltshire.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/home

For further information ask at the school office.

Yours sincerely,

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