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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Pupil Premium and Free School Meals

If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' and you register them for this, school will receive extra funding called 'pupil premium'. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school.

What is pupil premium funding?

Pupil premium funding from the government is given to schools to help pupils reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation. It is provided for pupils who:

- ☐ Are registered for free school meals
- ☐ Have been registered for free school meals at any point in the past 6 years
- ☐ Are, or have been, in care
- ☐ Have parents in the armed forces

At Heacham Junior School, we get an extra £1,385 for every eligible pupil who is registered for free school meals. This extra money could make a real difference to the quality of education we offer.

Is my child eligible for free school meals?

Your child might be eligible if you access:

- ☐ Income Support
- ☐ Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- ☐ Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ☐ The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- ☐ Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- ☐ Working Tax Credit run-on
- ☐ Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)

Does my child have to eat the free school meals?

No. Pupils who are registered for free school meals don't have to eat them. If you are eligible but you want your child to have packed lunches you should still register because the school will receive the funding which can support your child in other ways.

How do I register?

You can complete the online form

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-and-milk>

Alternatively, download a form

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/-/media/norfolk/downloads/education-learning/free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium-registration-form.pdf>

If you need further help, please speak to our office staff who will be able to support.

Kind regards,
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