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*'Where Every Door is Opened  
and Every Gift Unlocked'*

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Dear parents,

As you are aware, your child is currently receiving a free meal at school as part of the Government's 'Universal Free School Meals' initiative. However, it is vital for us as a school that if you are in receipt of any of the following benefits you register:

- Income support
- Income-based Job seeker's Allowance
- 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 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
- Universal Credit

If you are eligible and have registered for Free School Meals, school receives additional funding. We use this money to benefit your child. We are able to subsidise school trips and residential visits for those children who are registered for Free School Meals; provide additional learning support (extra reading/spelling/maths/writing) whatever the ability of your child, in order to ensure that they achieve their absolute best during their time at Witton Church Walk; provide pastoral support (for example 1:1 nurture time, friendship groups) to ensure that any concerns your child may have during school time are addressed, therefore enabling your child to maintain a happy and positive attitude towards their education, plus many more activities and arrangements that will benefit you and your child.

Even if you are only entitled to Free School Meals for a short period of time, the additional funding to school continues, benefitting both your child and school until they leave Primary School at the end of Year 6 for High School.



To check your entitlement and register for Free School Meals, please phone **0300 123 7039 as soon as possible**. You will need to give your national insurance number and will be told over the phone whether you are eligible or not. If it's a yes, then school will be informed automatically.

If you have any further questions or would like more information about Free School Meals, please don't hesitate to pop into school to speak to either myself, Mrs Magiera or Jackie.

Many thanks,

Mrs Kenyon

