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Dear Families,

In view of the current economic climate, we are aware that families' financial circumstances may have changed. Therefore we would like to draw your attention to the **Free School Meals / Pupil Premium Funding** which education settings can receive from the Government (Pupil Premium Grant – PPG) to further support your child. This funding can help school with the purchasing of books, resources, trips and funding towards sports and clubs for your child.

Children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 are all eligible for Universal Free School Meals. This is not means tested and comes with no additional funding for your child beyond the provision of a lunch each day. Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 can still be eligible for Pupil Premium funding which provides pupil-specific funding.

Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 are also eligible to apply. Successful applications would provide access to Free School Meals as well as pupil-specific funding which can help provide enrichment and support for their child.

For the school year 2023-2024, the PPG funding at primary level is set at £1,455 per pupil. If you think your family may be eligible, please use the link below to find out if there is money your child is entitled to access through school.

Please click the link below for further information and instructions how to apply: <u>https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx#nursery</u>

If you have any questions or need further support, please don't hesitate to the school office.

