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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing with information regarding free school meals and Pupil Premium. You may be entitled to receive these for your child. Pupil Premium benefits children who are eligible and gives an allowance to the school which we can then put towards school equipment and some trips for the child.

Free school meals offer students in years 7-13 £2.30 per day to spend in the canteen (Campion tops this up to be at least £2.50). This does not roll over at the end of the day. The Free school meal allowance automatically uploads at the beginning of each day and does not show on your parent pay account.

Free school meals are available for any family in receipt of the following:

* Universal Credit (annual net income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
* Income Support, Income based job seekers allowance or income based employment and support allowance
* Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
* The guarantee 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 the £16,190)
* Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying)

Once an application is made, the outcome will be confirmed instantly and emailed to you with a reference number. West Northamptonshire Council will process the application and notify Campion School within 5 working days. Pupil Premium is automatically applied for at the same time.

If you believe you could be eligible for free school meals, please apply using the link. **Even if your child doesn’t access the free school meal, it opens up a range of other entitlements that we can support with (support with trips, resources, books, uniform, electronic devices, transport, music lessons etc)**

<https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/schools-and-support/free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium>

If you have any questions, please contact me by email at [m.howes@campionschool.org.uk](mailto:m.howes@campionschool.org.uk)

Yours sincerely

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