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Dear parents and carers

The government has announced that it will continue to pay FSM vouchers to families over the summer holidays. Parents who already receive FSM vouchers will receive supermarket vouchers worth £90 for each child to spend in a supermarket of their choice over the summer.

We are aware that there may be families whose circumstances have changed over the last few weeks and are now receiving one or more of the benefits below. If you are, and haven't yet gone on to the Hackney Learning Trust website to apply for free school meals, I urge you to do so immediately. It is a really simple process and if your application is successful, you will receive a voucher for £90 for each of your children during the holidays.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- 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 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 - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If you think you might be entitled, and would like some support with the application process, please contact the school office. We can apply on your behalf, if we have your details.

Thank you

Fiona

Headteacher