



Chestnuts Primary School

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Thursday 23rd April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you and your children have been able to settle into a new routine and are adjusting to the unusual way of working that we find ourselves in at the moment.

At school, we are focusing on trying to provide as much support and help for our children and families as we possibly can, both with learning and with other aspects of staying safe, happy and healthy. With this in mind, we recognise that this could be a challenging time, financially, for some families as people's working circumstances may be changing. We would like to remind you all that, if your circumstances have changed, you may now be eligible to apply for free school meals and that, if this is the case even though we are not currently at school, you could receive a voucher which can help with your weekly food shopping.

The government says your child may be able to have free school meals if you are in receipt of 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 feel that this may apply to you, please use the following website link to complete a quick and easy online check. If your application is successful, you will be given a unique reference code which you can take a screen shot of and email to us (the email address is at the top of this letter). We will then take care of the rest!

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>



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We have also been contacted by a local organisation who have food boxes available to those who would benefit from them. These are designed to supplement a weekly shop, not completely replace it. Again, if you feel that this is something you and your family would benefit from, please do contact us either by email or phone.

We know that these are unusual and potentially difficult times so please do contact us if there is anything that you think we can do to support you.

Yours faithfully,

Katie Robins
Deputy Head



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