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Dear Parent,

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL PARENTS – FREE SCHOOL MEALS

I am writing to update you on the criteria by which parents may qualify for Free School Meals. Even if you choose to send your child to school with a packed lunch*, you may still be able to support your school by simply registering your eligibility to claim free school meals?

How will I be helping to support my school?

Schools can claim some additional funding relevant to the number of children attending their school who are eligible for free school meals, (even if the child does not eat the meal but takes a packed lunch* instead) – this additional funding is called the pupil premium. The school can then identify how to use the money to benefit children in receipt of Free School Meals. The school will later publish to parents how they have spent the money generated through the pupil premium.

Can anyone register for free school meals?

You can only register for free school meals if you are in receipt of one of the qualifying benefits. Please refer to the eligibility criteria on the back of the application form (enclosed).

How do I register for free school meals?

It's quick and easy to register. Just complete the enclosed application form and return it to Broomfields Junior School or the address on the form, before 1st November 2017 or alternatively, visit Warrington Borough Council's internet site, select services and then Free School Meals.

For more information regarding this matter, please contact your child's school or WBC Families and Wellbeing Directorate on 01925 446226.

*If you are eligible to register for free school meals but your child prefers to eat a packed lunch, your school's catering provider may be able to provide a packed lunch for your child in school.

Please contact your child's school in the first instance for more information.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Morris Brown