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Dear Parent/Carer

**Universal Infant Free School meals – Academic Year 2024/25**

This letter is to confirm that all children in year groups reception to year 2 in state funded schools will continue to receive statutory Universal Infant free school meals for the 2024/2025 academic year.

If you are now receiving a qualifying benefit and have not previously been identified as eligible for free school meals, please use the following link to make an application, and upload evidence of the benefit you are receiving where required.

[Free school meals | Free school meals | Ealing Council](https://www.ealing.gov.uk/info/201111/education_grants_and_financial_assistance/701/free_school_meals/1)

It is important to apply for benefit-related free school meals if you are receiving a qualifying benefit. Your child(ren) and school will benefit from pupil premium and other additional funding and support.

To qualify for benefit-related free school meals you must be in receipt of one of the following support benefits:

* Income Support (IS)
* Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)
* Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA)
* Child Tax Credit, provided parents are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual household income, as assessed by HMRC, that does not exceed £16,190
* Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
* Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
* Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

Yours sincerely

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