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Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to inform you about important changes to the Free School Meals (FSM) program starting from September 2026. Going forward, Free School Meals will be categorised under two distinct groups and will be regularly means tested to ensure families receive the correct support based on their current circumstances.

Targeted Free School Meals

This category continues the current system of Free School Meals. If your family qualifies under this category, your child will receive free school meals, your school will receive pupil premium funding and additional funding for disadvantaged pupils. Families may also be eligible for Holiday Activity Funding during school holidays.

Expanded Free School Meals

This new category is for families who earn above the income threshold for Targeted Free School Meals. Children in this category will also be entitled to receive free school meals.

Please note that parents and carers are now responsible for submitting applications and providing any required documentation to our Pupil Benefits team at Nottingham City Council. If you wish to apply or check your eligibility, please visit: www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/pupilbenefits

Thank you for your continued support.

Your Sincerely,

Robert Campbell
Head Teacher