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Dear Parent/ Carer

You may have seen in the news that due to the efforts of footballer Marcus Rashford, the Government will now be providing free school meals to eligible families over the Christmas holidays. Each child who is eligible for Free School Meals (Pupil Premium) will receive a supermarket voucher worth £35. This is only for families who have registered for free school meals with Lincolnshire County Council and therefore are entitled to pupil premium funding. It is NOT for all children in Key Stage One who are entitled to 'Universal Free School Meals'. If you are unsure as to whether you qualify then please contact the school office. Further information can also be found on our school website at the following link:

https://isaacnewton.eschools.co.uk/website/apply_for_free_school_meals/469816

Vouchers will be sent out to your email address using 'Wonde' which is a system that we have used previously in school. Please make sure that we have up-to-date contact details for you as these will be sent automatically using the information that we hold on our school system. You can update your contact details if required by contacting the school office or emailing us at enquires@isaacnewton-cit.co.uk. You MUST be registered with Lincolnshire County Council to receive Free School Meals (Pupil Premium) if you are to receive a voucher. If you are not on their system then we will not be able to send you a voucher. Their system is updated regularly and this is where we gather our Free School Meals information from.

If you think that your child may be eligible to receive free school meals (Pupil Premium) and you are not currently registered then you can apply using the following link: <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-pupil-support/apply-free-school-meals>. Free school meals are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the qualifying benefits:

- *Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)*
- *Income Support*
- *Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)*
- *Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)*
- *Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999*
- *The guarantee element of Pension Credit*
- *Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190*
- *Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after the person stops qualifying for Working Tax Credit)*

We will be sending out supermarket vouchers during the last week of term (W/C 14th December). If you are not already registered for Free School Meals (Pupil Premium) then please ensure that you have done so by Friday 11th December to ensure that you receive your supermarket voucher before Christmas.

Should you have any questions or require further support then please do not hesitate to get in touch with the school office.

Kind Regards

Chris Heathcote
Headteacher

