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Dear Parents/Carers,

End of Universal Free School Meals Entitlement

Since September 2014, your child has been entitled to a free school meal under the Government's Universal Free School Meal initiative. However, as your child will be moving into year 3 next term this entitlement will finish at the end of this academic year.

Your child can continue to have hot meals at school, however these will need to be paid for through Chartwells, the West Sussex hot meal provider, at the following website: <u>https://westsussex.mealselector.co.uk/</u>

Alternatively, your child may still qualify for a free school meal if you are in receipt of any of the following:

- Income Support or Income-based Jobseekers Allowance or Income-related Employment and Support.
- Evidence of support under Part V1 of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999 from the National Asylum Support Service (NASS) or Social Services Asylum Team.
- Child Tax credit provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit, and have an annual income of £16,190 or less.

To find out if you qualify for your child to have free school meals please contact West Sussex County Council, Pupil Support on 01243 526175 or email them on <u>FSM@westsussex.gov.uk</u>

If you would like to discuss this further please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

John Galvin Headteacher