## TODDINGTON ST. GEORGE CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carers,

We want to make sure that we are providing your child with the best education and support we can. We try to support you financially where we can too. Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Your child is eligible for free school meals if you're in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Income-Based Job Seekers Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (but no Working Tax Credit is being received by the claimant or his/her partner and the combined annual income as assessed by HMIR on a TC602 form is not above £16,190)
- The Guaranteed Element of Pension Tax Credit.
- Asylum Seeker under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

To check if you meet the eligibility criteria, please call Central Bedfordshire Council on 0300 300 8306. When you call to apply for free school meals, please have the following information ready:

- National Insurance numbers and dates of birth for you and your partner
- dates of birth for your children
- if you receive support from the National Asylum Support Service, your NASS number

Registering for free meals could also mean that the school receives extra money for your child. This can fund valuable support like extra tuition or after school activities.

We know that healthy school food has obvious health benefits and can help pupils establish healthy habits for life. Healthy school food can also help to improve pupils' readiness to learn.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

Colette Lamb Headteacher