

21st March 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

With the recent change in Government in the UK, we have been informed that it is possible that there may be a change with new free school meal applications.

Currently if you apply for Free School Meals and you are successful your child is guaranteed to have free school meals until they leave Primary School at the end of Year 6. We have been informed that after **1st April 2025** this may change and your children would be subject to ongoing checks and if your circumstances change you may no longer be eligible and free school meals would stop.

Therefore, can we please encourage any family who thinks they may be entitled to free school meals (even if your child is in Reception or Key Stage 1 and therefore does not currently pay for their meals), to please apply as soon as possible and before the end of March 2025. If you are successful this will guarantee your child remains eligible until the end of Primary School.

You can make the application online at the Devon Citizen Portal <u>Free school meals - Support for schools and settings</u> Alternatively, please email the school at allsaints@lapsw.org and a paper form can be sent home which can be returned to the office who will then submit this for you. Please do remember though, this needs to be before the end of March 2025 to ensure you receive this on an ongoing basis.

If your child is already eligible then you do not need to take any action and your child will remain eligible until the end of Year 6.

If you have any concerns or questions please do contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

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