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Dear Parents/Carers

Pupil Premium KS2 (Years 3 – 6)

The Pupil Premium is an allocation of additional funding from the Government provided to schools to support specific groups of children who are vulnerable to possible underachievement. Schools decide how to use their allocation, as they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for these pupils within their responsibility. Pupil Premium is allocated to schools based on the number of children who have been eligible for Free School Meals at any point in the last six years.

**For various reasons, this important funding has declined over the last couple of years. Therefore, we are asking ALL families (irrespective of their income status) to complete a registration process to assess eligibility. This should be done whether your child has had/now has Free School Meals or even if they bring a home packed lunch.**

It is quick and easy and only has to be done once (unless your financial circumstances change). It also means we won't miss out on up to £1320 per year, per child for families that meet the criteria. Eligible families will be able to receive additional support of up to £100 with some school costs (e.g. School Uniform, School Trips, Music Tuition, Swimming Lessons etc.

Please could you register each child you have at Beechfield as soon as possible on the following website: [www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals](http://www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals)

During the registration process, you will be asked for income/benefit details.

If you need any help with this, please ask any of the office team.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Gillian Jackson  
Headteacher

