



HITCHIN BOYS' SCHOOL
An Academy Trust

15 July 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

FREE SCHOOL MEALS and REMISSION OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC FEES

Renewal of Free School Meals Applications (for September 2016)

If your son currently receives Free School Meals, there is no need to reapply for this for September since applications will be automatically renewed by Hertfordshire County Council. Letters will only be sent to families whose children are no longer entitled to receive a meal.

Remission of Instrumental Music Fees

Any child receiving a free meal as well as 100% music remission will be automatically renewed for both. Anyone currently receiving 50% music remission should re-apply now at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.

Application for Free School Meals

The Government gives money to schools to help children from lower income families. This funding is called the 'Pupil Premium'. For every child registered, Hitchin Boys' School gets £935 this year. The School will only receive this money for those boys who have been registered as eligible for Free School Meals. It is therefore important that in order for the School to receive this additional funding that all those who think they might be eligible apply as soon as possible. Boys who receive Free School Meals have £2.30 automatically credited to their Smart Card each day. If you receive any of the benefits listed below your child may be eligible for free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (providing you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

You may apply online at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals or by phoning 0300 123 4048.

Yours sincerely

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