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Dear Families

The Government's transitional protection arrangements for means tested Free School Meals (FSM) will potentially be ending, from 01 April 2025, although final details around this is still to be confirmed.

Any eligible claims confirmed from this date will no longer be protected. This means any child confirmed as eligible for free school meals from 01 April 2025 will be subject to ongoing checks to confirm continued eligibility.

This will not impact any children who are already confirmed as eligible. Those already confirmed as eligible will maintain their eligibility until the end of their current phase of education (Secondary School). At which point, they will be re-assessed for their eligibility status.

We encourage all parents to verify their eligibility for free school meals and ensure their child receives this benefit if they qualify. Checking eligibility for Free School Meals is simple and takes just a few minutes, go to the Suffolk County Council website and type 'Apply for Free School Meals in the search bar or click on the following link: [Check FSM entitlement](#)

If you have any questions around confirmed eligibility or need more information on how to apply, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards

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