# Could your child be eligible for extra help?



## Do you receive any of the following payments?

- Income Support, income-based Job Seekers Allowance or income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit) and have a gross annual income of no more than £16,190.
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit –your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

If the answer is yes, then you are entitled to receive free school meals. In addition Alcester Academy would receive Pupil Premium which is additional funding to provide extra support for pupils within the Academy.

#### What is Pupil Premium?

The government pays extra money to schools for every child whose parents receive the support payments above. This money can then be spent on increasing their achievement.



#### How will it benefit my child?

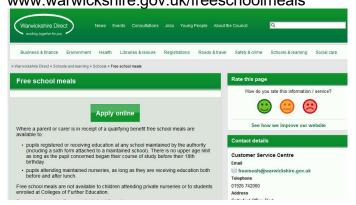
As well as there being more money to help your child learn, they will also be eligible for a free school meal, which can save you up to £480 per year.

### Does my child have to eat the school meal?

No, but even if they don't the school will get the Pupil Premium to use to boost achievement.

#### How do I apply?

The application process could not be simpler! You can apply through the website: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals



OR

Make a telephone call to 01926 359189

If you would like assistance in making your application the please do not hesitate to contact us. We would be happy to have you come in to the Academy and be assisted in making the online application.