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Dear Parents/Carers

Free Laptops and Broadband Connection

The government recently announced a scheme to provide free lap top and home broadband connection for families with children who are entitled to free school meals and children who are being cared for.

The scheme is called the **Home Access Grant** and the eligibility criteria are as follows:-

If the child is registered for free school meals and/or the family are in receipt of one of the following qualifying benefits.

- a. Income based Job Seekers Allowance.
- b. Income Support.
- c. Child tax credit but not working tax credit
- d. Income of less than £16,040
- e. Income based Employment Support Allowance.
- f. Guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- g. Support under V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

The child must currently be in years 3 - 9 and attend a state maintained school in England, and the family should not have had Computers for Pupils (CFP) or Home Access (HA) grants in the past.

Foster parents and carers of looked after children can apply if the children they are looking after attend either junior school and are in years 1 – 6, or senior school years 7 – 13.

Entitlement is for **one** grant per family per year.

If parents/carers wish to apply and feel they meet the necessary criteria, you can request an application form for the Home Access Grant by phone on **0333 200 1004**.

Once the application has been approved the parent/carer will receive a pre loaded debit card to spend on a Home Access Computer and Broadband connection and this will be available from a list of approved suppliers.

The general public may also purchase Home Access Kits if they require them. Further information on the Home Access Programme is available on www.homeaccess.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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