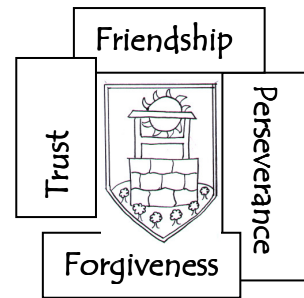


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'I will show you my faith by my works' James 2:18



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Dear Parents/Carers

Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

As you may be aware there are two types of eligibility for free school meals and to help make this letter a little clearer, I will explain the two types of free school meal.

UiFSM - All children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 are eligible for Universal Free school meals. You may, however, also be eligible for Free school meals (FSM) if you meet certain criteria.

FSM – Some families, who may be eligible because they receive certain benefits, qualify for Free School Meals but also the school could receive Pupil Premium funding. Parents can apply at any point even if their child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and receives UiFSM.

Families who are eligible for free school meals include those on

- Income Support
- Income based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guaranteed element of the State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, with no Working Tax Credit, and that your annual income does exceed £16,190.
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on', the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

For every pupil registered as eligible under the entitlement criteria above, the school will also receive additional funding in the school budget which is called Pupil Premium. This funding is used to raise achievement levels but also enables your child access to clubs and subsidises school trips. If you do not claim for Free School Meals then Pupil Premium funding will not be available for your child for any subsidy.

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If you think you are eligible to apply for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium then please contact the school office for an application form. For all parents who are successful in their applications, each of their children will be given two new school sweatshirts or other school uniform items of equivalent cost.

Yours

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