

Pupil Premium letter

Dear Parent/Carer,

Free School Meals

You may be aware that the government is planning to shortly allocate additional funding to schools. One of the criteria used to calculate this additional funding – known as the Pupil Premium – will be the number of pupils at a school who receive Free School Meals (FSMs). In common with most schools it is likely that a number of parents whose children attend this school fail to claim FSMs, even though they are entitled to them. As the school will receive additional funding based on the number of children who receive FSMs I am writing to all parents to ask them, if they believe that they may be entitled to claim FSMs for their children and do not already do so, to make a claim. As I am sure you will agree the children at this school can only benefit if we are able to attract additional funding.

In order to claim FSMs a parent must be claiming one of the following benefits:

Income Support

Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance

Income-Based Job Seekers Allowance

Child Tax Credit (but no Working Tax Credit is being received by the claimant or his/her partner and the combined annual income as assessed by HMIR on a TC602 form is not above £16,190)

The Guaranteed Element of Pension Tax Credit.

Asylum Seeker under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

If you think that you are eligible to apply for FSMs for your child, or if you are not sure, you may want to contact the CBC Customer Services helpdesk on 0300 300 8000 to advise you. If you do ring please have your National Insurance number to hand.

Yours sincerely,

Headteacher.