



Dear Parents and Carers,

The new school year is approaching fast, but there is still time to register for free school meals. Does your child still qualify?

Your child may be entitled to receive free school meals if you are entitled to receive one of the following:

- Income Support (IS) ;
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance (IBJSA);
- An Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA(IR));
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- Child Tax Credit (provided that you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, assessed by HM Revenue and Customs, that from 6 April 2009 does not exceed £16,190)

Savings for your family

If you are currently paying for your child's school meals, you could make savings of around £350 per year if your child qualifies for free school meals.

Think of the time you'd save

If your child is eligible and switches from packed lunches to free school meals, you could save up to 190 hours a year, which is the time needed to make packed lunches that meet the nutritional standards of school meals – that's just over a week!

In addition

The funds generated for this pupil group are used to ensure that your child receives extra tuition and personalised learning to close any learning gaps which may be forming. The money can also help to fund off school activities or extra- curricular opportunities which otherwise may not be afforded. The recent spending and the impact of the spending for free school meal pupils and pupil premium pupils (those in any pupil group which is in receipt of extra funding such as service children or 'historic' free school meal children) can be viewed on the school website.

To make sure your child doesn't miss out, please follow the link on the school website to see if you are eligible.

Yours sincerely,

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