Cowlersley Primary School



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Dear Parent/Carer

We need your help @ - Application for Pupil Premium

You may have read recent media reports concerning cuts to school funding, but did you know that as a school we can make up some of the budget shortfall through funding called 'Pupil Premium'. This would mean an additional sum of money for every child registered.

With this money we could provide interventions to accelerate your child's academic progress as well interventions to develop self-esteem, self-confidence together with social and emotional skills.

It also means that your child will be receive a free school meal, which even if your child does not want a school meal, the school will still receive the extra funding.

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are currently, automatically entitled to a free school meal, regardless of income, but if you are on one of the benefits below then we would ask you to complete the attached form (we can help with this if required) as school will then receive the extra funding. How to apply:

- First check that you qualify.
- Complete the attached form, if you need any support with this please ask at the school office. You do not need to send evidence of your qualifying benefits with this application.
- Return the form to the school office and we will forward to the Local Authority.
- Alternatively, you can apply online: http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/schools/free-school-meals.aspx

No one will know that you have registered and it will not affect any other benefits being claimed. If you have any questions at all please contact the school office.

Pupil Premium Entitlement – Do you qualify?

You can register if you receive any of these benefits:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

Yours faithfully

Mrs Eileen Fitzpatrick Acting Headteacher













All Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 Children get their lunch at school every day, at no charge to you. You might think what's the point in applying for Free School Meals, as you already get them!



As well as your child getting their daily milk free each term, the school receives £1320 for every child who is eligible for Free School Meals.

This is called Pupil Premium, and this money is really important to the school, it helps us buy essential supplies, like exercise books and pencils, it helps pay for extra-Curricular activities and pastoral care.

Please see letter overleaf for more information.

