



12th September 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

Online Free School Meals Checker

From September 2014 all children who are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in a state-funded school have been offered a free healthy school lunch. Children in other school years will also be offered a free school lunch if their parent is receiving certain welfare benefits. Registering could raise money for your child's school.

Registering for free meals could raise an extra £1,300 for your child's school, to fund valuable support like extra tuition, additional teaching staff or after school activities.

This additional money is available from central government for every child whose parent is receiving certain welfare benefits. It is therefore important to sign up for free school meals, even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, so that your child's school receives as much funding as possible.

In order to make the process easier, the school has invested in an Online Free School Meal Checker. The system allows for you to check you FSM eligibility online, without having to complete and submit the paper copy of the form. The link to the online application system can be found at:

www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims

If you have any problems completing the application, the guidance document can be found on the school's website (go to the 'Parents' menu and click on 'School Meals'), or we will happily email it to you. Alternatively, if you would like the school to complete the application on your behalf, please come to the office and we can arrange a time to submit your application.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Kind Regards

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