

Monday, 30 September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

Pupil premium and free school meals

If your child is eligible for ‘free school meals’ and you register them for this, we’ll receive extra funding called ‘pupil premium’. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school.

What is pupil premium funding?

Pupil premium funding from the government is given to schools to help pupils reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation. It’s provided for pupils who:

- Are registered for free school meals
- Have been registered for free school meals at any point in the past 6 years
- Are, or have been, in care
- Have parents in the armed forces

At Oldfield Brow, we get an extra £1,320 for every eligible pupil who is registered for free school meals. This extra money could make a real difference to the quality of education we offer.

For example, we’ve previously used pupil premium funding for:

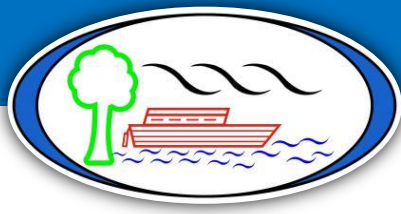
- Educational provision/resources
- Academic interventions
- Wellbeing and self-esteem building interventions

Is my child eligible for free school meals?

Your child might be eligible if you access:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker’s Allowance or Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you’re not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)





Universal infant free school meals

Currently, pupils in reception, year 1 and year 2 are entitled to a free school meal thanks to a different government funding scheme known as universal infant free school meals (UIFSM). You shouldn't confuse UIFSM with free schools meals and the pupil premium.

If your child is in reception, year 1 or year 2 and is eligible for free school meals according to the criteria above, you should still register because we'll receive the extra pupil premium funding.

Does my child have to eat the free school meals?

No. Pupils who are registered for free school meals don't have to eat them. If you're eligible but you want your child to have packed lunches you should still register because the school will receive the funding which can support your child in other ways.

How do I register?

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 your FSM eligibility online, without having to complete a paper copy. The link to the online applications system can be found at www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims-trafford.

If you have any problems completing the application or would like school to complete the application on your behalf, please complete the attached registration form and return it to the school office.

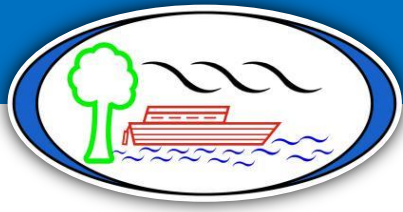
More information

For more information about pupil premium go to our website, which contains details of how the pupil premium has been spent in the past academic year and how it will be spent this year.

If you have any questions or specific concerns, please contact the school office on 0161 926 86 46.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. R Merrell
Headteacher



SCHOOL FUNDING REGISTRATION FORM FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND PUPIL PREMIUM

We need to gather information about you and your child, to ensure that the school received all the government funding which it is entitled.

Please complete this form and return it to school as soon as possible.

Thank You

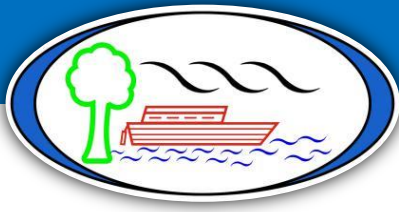
ABOUT YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN

| Surname | First Name | Date of Birth | | |
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PARENT/CARER DETAILS

| | Parent/Carer (1) | | | | | | | | | | | | Parent/Carer (2) | | | | | |
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| Surname | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Name | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date of Birth | (DD) | | | (MM) | | | (YYYY) | | | (DD) | | | (MM) | | | (YYYY) | | |
| NI Number | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NASS Number (if applicable) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Daytime Phone Number | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mobile Number | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address (including postcode) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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FAMILY INCOME AND BENEFIT DETAILS

Is your joint family income over £16,190 per year? (Please place an X in the appropriate box)

Yes

No

If you have ticked **YES** you do not need to complete the next section. Please go straight to the declaration at the end of the form.

If you have ticked **NO** please place an X in the box if you are in receipt of any of these benefits:

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| | Income Support |
| | Income-based Jobseekers Allowance |
| | Income-related Employment and Support Allowance |
| | Support from NASS (National Asylum Support Service) under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 |
| | The guarantee element of the State Pension Credit |
| | Child Tax Credit (with no working tax credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190 |
| | Working Tax Credit run-on |
| | Universal Credit |

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| | Please place an X in this box if you are not sure if your family income is over £16,190 or if you are in receipt of one of the benefits listed above, but you would still like us to check whether your child is eligible for free school meals. |
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DECLARATION

The information I have given on this form is complete and accurate. I understand that my personal information is held securely and will be used only for local authority purposes. I agree to the local authority using this information to process my application for free school meals. I also agree to notify the local authority in writing of any change in my family's financial circumstances as set out in this form.

Signed _____ Date _____

PLEASE PRINT NAME _____