

Dear Parents / Carers

Support for Low-income Families - Free School Meals (Pupil Premium)

Free School Meals – Pupil Premium As you will know all of the children in our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes receive a Free School Meal under the Government initiative “Universal Infant Free School Meals”.

However, some children will also qualify for Income Related free school meals due to their personal circumstances. Whilst this does not affect your child's receipt of a free meal, if you are registered for free school meals via Liverpool City Council the school will receive additional funding. This funding is known as Pupil Premium and brings in up to an additional £1320 per child that is registered.

We can use the extra funding in any way we choose to improve the quality of our children's education. This could include: exciting subsidised trips for our children; visitors to our school that enhance the curriculum; additional training for staff or employing additional staff to help us meet all of our children's needs.

If you or your partner receive any of the following benefits you can apply for free school meals:

- Universal Credit – your household earned annual income must be less than £7,400 after tax and not including any benefits
- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment Support Allowance
- Support under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed part of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit – with no Working Tax Credit and your annual household income is no more than £16,190, as assessed by the Inland Revenue

If you get Housing Benefit or Council Tax Support, contact us and we'll be able to check if your child is eligible.

Therefore, we ask that any parents/carers who think that they may be eligible, please apply accordingly on the Liverpool Council website and get an instant decision <https://liverpool.gov.uk/benefits/free-school-meals/application-form/> When you receive notification that your child qualifies for Free School Meals contact greenbank-ao@greenbank.liverpool.sch.uk with this information so that we can arrange your vouchers. Whatever the outcome of your application (whether you qualify or not) it will not affect any other benefits that you may receive.

If you have any questions or if you would like help to complete the application, please contact greenbank-ao@greenbank.liverpool.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

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Pupil Premium Champion

