

Dear families,

Pupil Premium Information

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 a Looked-After Child (according to the Children Act 1989), or
- Have left care through adoption, special guardianship order (SGO), or child arrangement order (CAO)
- Have a member of the family in the armed forces
- Whose family are in receipt of a range of government benefits, entitling them to free school meals.

Please inform the school if any of the above relates to your child and we are not already aware of this. Schools receive extra funding for every eligible pupil. 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

Pupil Premium is allocated separately to the free school meal programme. Your child may be eligible for one, but not the other. If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' and you register them for this, your child will receive:

- Free school meals throughout their schooling
- Food vouchers to use in the school holidays
- Free places at a range of holiday activity clubs

Is my child eligible for free school meals?

Children will be eligible for free school meals if their parent or carer receives one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400 (£616.67 per month)
- 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 guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you do not also receive Working Tax Credit) and have an annual gross income of no more than 16,190.
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

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



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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?

You only need to register once. To register, please log on to the 'Citizen Portal' of the Devon County Council website https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/en?ReturnUrl=%2FCCSCitize%20nPortal_LIVE%2F.

You will find out instantly if you are eligible, and it is confidential. If you have any questions, please contact the school office we will be pleased to support your application.

Kind regards,

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Headteacher