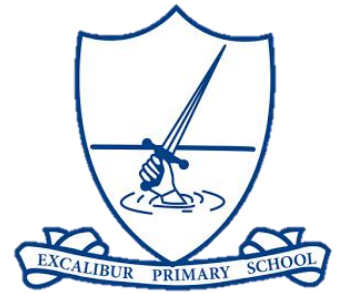




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Free School Meals and Pupil Premium What it means for you and your child

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Free School Meals

Under current government policy, all children in reception, Year 1 and Year 2, receive a Universal Free School Meal. In addition to this, some children in KS2 may also be entitled to Income Related Free-School meals. If you are in receipt of any of the following benefits, your child may be entitled to Income Related Free School Meals.

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related 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 - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

Pupil Premium

All children, in both KS1 and KS2, who are registered for Free School Meals on the January Census Day, also become entitled to Pupil Premium Funding. This fund is aimed at improving life chances for pupils from low income backgrounds and is paid directly to schools. At the school's discretion, these monies are allocated to maximise the outcomes for our children. To see ways in which we have already spent money, please refer to our website. Once a child becomes eligible for Pupil Premium Funding, their school will continue to receive this money for the next six years, even if their financial circumstances change. It is therefore important that, if you are in receipt of any of the above benefits, and even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, you complete an application for pupil premium on the Cheshire East website:

https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/free_school_meals.aspx

For any successful application, the school will provide a free uniform bundle.

Yours Sincerely,

Deputy Headteacher

