



FREE SCHOOL MEALS & PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING ELIGIBILITY CHECK

About Pupil Premium Funding

A large part of funding for our school is determined by the number of children entitled to free school meals. Since the Government introduced Universal Free School Meals for all infant children it is easy for us to lose out on this incredibly important funding stream.

In order for us to receive the funding, we need you to keep us informed of your circumstances and eligibility to qualify for free school meals to enable us to support our pupils to the very best of our ability.

Are you eligible to claim free school meals and pupil premium funding for your child?

You must be in receipt of one of the below benefits to be eligible for a Free School Meal for your child/children.

- Income Support
- Employment & Support Allowance – Income related
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance (NOT Contribution Based JSA)
- Child Tax Credit only (with a combined family income of less than £16,190 per annum as assessed by HM Revenues & Customs). **Please note, anyone receiving Working Tax Credit, regardless of income, will NOT qualify for FSMs.**
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit
- National Asylum Seekers Support (NASS)
- Guaranteed Element of Pension Tax Credit

Each child who is eligible for free school meals (this is different to Universal Free School Meals), or has been within 6 years, brings additional funding to the school. This is called **Pupil Premium**.

Wyvern can now check and collect information regarding Free School Meals and Pupil Premium through Capita. You can register to find out if your child is eligible by following this link:

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>

The system is quick and simple to be used and can be accessed via a home computer, smartphone or hand held device. It is easy – all you need is *your name, address, phone number, national insurance number and email address*, which you can enter at the website. Or you can just put in your Free School Meal application number if you have one.

If you qualify, please show the Application Summary to the School Office on your smartphone or print a copy for the school.

Please come and see us in the School Office if you have any problems registering.

Thank you for your co-operation.