



CORRIE PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Guardians

Additional Funding for Corrie Primary School by registering your child for Free School Meals

The government is giving money to schools to help children from lower income families do their very best. This funding is called Pupil Premium.

For every child registered the school will get an additional payment from September this year (even if you do not take up the school meals and provide your child with a packed lunch). We use this money to provide small group support for these children.

Your child may be eligible if you are in receipt of certain benefits and this will enable the school to access additional funds to help your child achieve: (see over for eligible benefits)

Or if your child has:

- Been looked after by the local authority for at least 24 hours or more in England or Wales
- Been adopted from care in England or Wales
- Left care under a special guardianship order or residence order in England or Wales

In Tameside there are 4 easy ways to apply for free school meals:

- complete the e-claim for Housing and Council Tax Support which includes the option to apply for Free School Meals
- complete the on-line application form using this web address www.tameside.gov.uk/fsm
- telephone the council's call centre on 0161 342 8355
- in person at one of the council's [Customer Services Offices](#)

Claiming Free School Meals also means that your child will also be entitled to have a healthy meal at lunchtime saving you more than £400 per year. There is no stigma attached to receiving free school meals and we treat all children equally – we do not single out children who receive free school meals from those who pay – the children do not know who receives free school meals.

Your child will continue to be entitled to school meals whilst you continue to be in receipt of the benefit listed and you must tell Tameside Council if your circumstances change.

If you want to claim Free School Meals but don't want your child to have the school meals they can continue to bring in their packed lunch.

As long as you qualify and are registered for free school meals then the school will still receive an additional payment to help raise educational attainment for your children.

Please note that no one will know you are registered and it will not affect any other benefits you are claiming.

If you have any questions or would like help with the claim, please call into the Junior Office and ask for Mrs McMunn.

Yours sincerely

N McMunn

Mrs N McMunn
School Business Manager

Eligible Benefits:

- * 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 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.