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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 form lower income families do their very best. This funding is called Pupil Premium.

For every child registered the school will get an additional £1320 from September this year (even if you do not take up the school meals and provide your child with a packed lunch).

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

You can apply for school meals using the following website:

www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims-tameside

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 receipts of the benefit listed and you must tell Tameside Council if your circumstances change.

If you don't want your child to have the school meals they can continue as normal bringing in their packed lunch.



As long as you qualify and are registered for free school meals then the school will still receive £1320 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

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- o income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- o income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- o 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 if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)