



# **Poulton Lancelyn Primary School**

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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

Apply for Free School Meals...
it's quick and easy using the online form at:
<a href="https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims-wirral">https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims-wirral</a>

If you are receiving certain benefits, a FREE tasty and nutritious school meal is available for your children at Poulton Lancelyn Primary School BUT YOU MUST APPLY!

#### Look at the benefits:

- A free school meal for your child, which is good for their health and could help their learning.
- Savings for you, worth over £440 a year.
- Extra money for the school through Pupil Premium, worth at least £900 a year.

Remember. Just registering your child for Free School Meals means that Poulton Lancelyn receives the extra money even if you don't take up the free meal. If your child is already in receipt of Infant free school meals, then you still need to apply to secure the pupil premium funding to help your child and others in their class. No one will know you have registered and it will not affect any other benefits you are claiming.

If you want further information, then please talk to the School Office or email at the address above; everything you say will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Yours sincerely, Mrs C Arnold HEADTEACHER

## Do you qualify?

Your child will be eligible for Free School Meals if you get any of these benefits:

- 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 Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Pupils can qualify for Free School Meals if they get any of these benefits themselves.

## Come and talk to us if you're not sure.

#### How does it work?

- 1. Checking whether you qualify and registering is really quick and easy do it online
- 2. If you want your child to have a free, healthy meal at lunchtime that's great they will get the free meal (saving you more than £2000 over 5 years) and the school gets extra money to help your child and others in their class.
- 3. If you don't want your child to have a free school meal they can continue as normal as long as you qualify, and are registered, the school still gets the extra money.
- If your child is already in receipt of Infant free school meals then you still need to apply to secure the pupil premium funding to help your child and others in their class.