



## LATIMER PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Free School Meal & Pupil Premium Entitlement

If you or your family have had a recent change in circumstances – for example your job or pay has changed and your entitlement to certain benefits has increased – you may now be entitled to free school meals for your child.

By filling in a simple form, you will help us to work out whether we can access further funding to support your child while they are at Latimer. This funding is called ‘Pupil Premium funding’ and it enables us to support your child in many different ways, such as:

- ★ intervention support to help them catch up in maths and literacy
- ★ extra adult support in class
- ★ payment for school trips
- ★ access to free breakfast club
- ★ support with the cost of the Y6 residential
- ★ and more specific help for families or children to meet individual needs & circumstances (please speak to Mrs Moran or Mrs Swarbrook to access this help).

#### School Dinners

Pupils in EYFS & Years 1 & 2	All pupils are automatically entitled to free school meals in these year groups regardless of family income. However, by claiming your meals through Leicestershire County Council your child will then also be entitled to the additional support listed above.
Pupils in Years 3, 4, 5, 6	By claiming your free school meals for pupils in these year groups, your child will be entitled to free school meals and will be able to receive the additional support listed above.  <b>Your child prefers a packed lunch? Not a problem!</b> They do not have to have the hot meals, but they will still be entitled to the extra benefits if you claim.

## Do we qualify?

If you qualify for any of the following benefits, you may be entitled to claim Free School Meals and access Pupil Premium funding for your child:

- Universal Credit (you're eligible after you've got your first payment)
- Child Tax Credit
- The 'guaranteed element' of Pension Credit
- Income-based jobseeker's allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Income Support
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Working Tax Credit (only in Scotland and Northern Ireland)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (only in England and Wales) – this is paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

## How can I register?

Please contact the School Food Support Service at Leicestershire County Council on [0116 3055417](tel:01163055417) who will be able to advise you over the phone. Alternatively, you can apply online at <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/social-care-and-supporting-families/free-school-meals> you can also email any queries you may have to [freeschoolmeals@leics.gov.uk](mailto:freeschoolmeals@leics.gov.uk)

If you have any questions or would like support with claiming, you can also contact our friendly school office who will be very happy to help.

Many thanks

*Mrs Moran & Mrs Swarbrook*  
**Co-Headteachers**

