



Dear Parents and Carers,

Did you know ... just registering your child for Free School Meals means that the school gets extra money?

Register now to make sure we don't miss out

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

For every child registered, Leen Mills Primary school gets £1320 this year.

Please register before Christmas to make sure your child does not miss out.

Even Reception and Key Stage 1 children should register even though they are receiving a free hot meal.

The school offers a 50% reduction on residential visits and a 25% reduction off most trips and visits.

Your children will be entitled to free milk in school if they are aged seven and under

If you are a service family, inform the school as we will receive £300 for your child.

For service family children, the school offers a 25% reduction on residential visits.

How does it work?

1. First, check if you qualify – it is not just if you are unemployed, so please look at the list on the next page.
2. Registering is really quick and easy – if you think you qualify, you can **apply through the County Council** by telephoning 0300 500 8080
3. If you don't want your child to have the school meals they can continue as normal – as long as you qualify and are registered, the school still gets £1320 extra.

You can see how the school spent the Pupil Premium allocation for 2018-19 on the school web site.

No one will know you have registered and it will not affect any other benefits you are claiming.

Yours sincerely,

Russell Tew
Head Teacher

Do you qualify?

Free school meals are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the qualifying benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earning from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after the person stops qualifying for Working Tax Credit)