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Dear Parent/Carer,

Did you know that just registering your child for Free School Meals means that school gets extra money? What you may not know is that 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 Foljambe Primary School will receive a maximum of £1,345 this year.

Currently, pupils in Years 1 and 2 as well as Reception children all receive free school meals, these are paid by government funding. This is called Universal Free School Meals. As well as this, parents in low income families or those that are unemployed can also apply for Pupil Premium funding so that their children can receive free school meals in subsequent school years (Year 3 and onwards). With this money we could provide more interventions to accelerate your child's academic progress as well as interventions to develop self-esteem, self-confidence and social emotional skills. If you are successful, not only will it mean your child will receive a free school meal but we can also help in other areas such lowering the cost of some school trips and offering a range of after school clubs etc.

If you are on one of the benefits shown overleaf then we would ask you to complete the attached form as school will receive the extra funding and we can help in other areas as mentioned above. If you are not sure if your child is entitled, please complete and return the form anyway. It is worth checking!

How to apply:

1. First, check if you qualify – it is not just if you are unemployed, so please look at the list overleaf. If you are unsure, please fill in the form and return to school. You have nothing to lose!
2. Complete the attached form. If you need any help just ask at the school office and we will be able to confirm a day when we can support you with this. You do not need to send any evidence of your qualifying benefits with the application.
3. Return the form to the school office by and we will forward it onto the Local Authority. No one will know you have registered and it will **not affect any other benefits you are claiming**. If you have any questions or queries, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

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You can register your child for Pupil Premium 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 you 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

**Please note you are not eligible if you are in receipt of Working Tax Credit.**

**If you are unsure, please fill in the form anyway. You never know and you could win a £30 voucher.**



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## Are you eligible for Pupil Premium?

To check if your child is eligible, we need information about you and your child. Please complete this form and return to your child's school.

### ABOUT YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN

Child's Last Name	Child's First Name	Child's Date of Birth			Name of School
		DD	MM	YYYY	
		DD	MM	YYYY	
		DD	MM	YYYY	

### PARENT/GUARDIAN DETAILS

	Parent/Guardian 1						Parent/Guardian 2					
Last name												
First Name												
Date of Birth	DD	MM	YYYY	DD	MM	YYYY	DD	MM	YYYY	DD	MM	YYYY
National Insurance Number*												
National Asylum Support Service (NASS) Number*		/		/				/		/		
Daytime Telephone Number												
Mobile Number												
Address												
	Postcode:						Postcode:					



We dream big, show pride  
and do our very best!

### FAMILY INCOME AND BENEFIT DETAILS

If you receive any of the benefits listed below, please place an X in this box.

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support from NASS under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit)
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit.

#### Universal Credit

If you are in receipt of **Universal Credit**, is your net earned family income over £7,400 per year? (Please place an X in the appropriate box).

Your net earned income is your household income after taxes and deductions. It does **not** include income through Universal Credit or other benefits that you may receive.

Yes  No  Unsure

#### Child Tax Credit

If you are in receipt of **Child Tax Credit**, is your joint gross annual income over £16,190 per year? (Please place an X in the appropriate box).

Your joint gross income is your household income before taxes are taken into account.

Yes  No  Unsure

If you're not sure whether you receive one of the listed benefits, or what your household income is, but you would still like us to check whether your child is eligible for free school meals, please place an X in this box.



## DECLARATION

The information I have given on this form is complete and accurate. I understand that my personal information is held securely and will be used only for local authority purposes. I agree to the local authority using this information to process my application for free school meals. I also agree to notify the local authority in writing of any change in my family's financial circumstances as set out in this form.

Signature of parent/guardian: .....

Date:.....

**Thank you for completing this form and helping to make sure your child's school is as well funded as possible.**

### **How the information in this form will be used**

The information you provide in this form will be used by the council to confirm receipt of one of the listed welfare benefits. Once this is confirmed, this helps to decide how much money your child's school will receive each year.

The information will also be used in relation to pupils in year 3 or above to decide whether they are eligible for free school meals.

You only need to complete this form once and it will last for the duration of your child's time at their current school. You should contact the school or local authority if you have a change in financial circumstances.

We are committed to ensuring that the personal and sensitive information that we hold about you is protected and kept safe and secure, and we have measures in place to prevent the loss, misuse or alteration of your personal information. We will use the information you provide to assess entitlement to free school meals. The information may also be shared with other Council departments to offer benefits and services.