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Dear Parents,

For every child who claims Free School Meals, the school gets £1320 per year as part of the 'Pupil Premium' scheme. So, if 20 children apply for Free School Meals, the school will receive an additional £26,400. This could help pay for extra teaching resources, buying in extra teachers, mentoring, Breakfast club after school clubs **for your child**.

Signing up for free school meals does not mean your child has to have school meals every day. Children on free school meals **can still** choose to have packed lunches brought from home every day, or can choose to have a school meal only on days when they like the menu choices.

To get the money for our school you have to apply even if your child is receiving an INFANT FREE SCHOOL MEAL. If you don't apply we lose that money **for your child**.

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

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods, and your monthly average income over three assessment periods should be no more than £616.67)
- 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 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 four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

It's easy to apply. Telephone 01454 868008 and give the following information:

Parent/carer details

- Name
- Date of birth
- National Insurance Number

Child's details

- Name
- Date of birth
- School name you are applying for free school meals

Or follow this link:

<http://www.southglos.gov.uk/advice-and-benefits/benefits/free-school-meals/>

The rest is done for you.

Apply for free school meals – it will mean extra cash for your child and our school

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Robson