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FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Dear parent/carer,

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are automatically entitled to a Universal Free School Meal. Once children reach Year 3, you will have to pay for their school meals or provide them with a packed lunch.

Some children are eligible for a benefits-related Free School Meal.

What are the benefits of benefits-related Free School Meals?

- Your child will continue to receive free school meals until the end of Year 6.
- School will receive an additional Pupil Premium Grant to support your child's education. This funding is extremely important as it allows us to provide the very best possible education for each and every child at St Silas CE Primary School. It also helps us to keep the cost of things like school trips and school uniforms as low as possible.
- You will receive supermarket vouchers to support you with the cost of meals during the school holidays. Funding has been secured to ensure that families of children who are entitled to benefits-related free school meals will receive a £15 voucher during the summer term and a £75 voucher before the summer holidays.

Am I eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals?

If you or your partner receive any of the qualifying benefits listed below, you can apply for benefits-related Free School Meals.

- Universal Credit – your household earned annual income must be less than £7,400 after tax and not including any benefits
- Income Support



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- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment Support Allowance
- Support under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed part of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit – with no Working Tax Credit and your annual household income is no more than £16,190, as assessed by the Inland Revenue

How do I apply?

School can help you find out whether you are eligible or not. Please speak to Mrs Moss or Mrs Nugent in confidence if you would like any support. We can go through the application with you in less than 5 minutes. You can also apply online: [please click here to apply for Free School Meals](#).

Please include all of your children when you apply.

If your application is successful, you will be sent a confirmation email. Please print this out and give a copy to the school office, or forward the email to stsilasoffice@remat.org.uk.

The Pupil Premium Grant makes a huge difference to school. The extra funding we receive allows us to make sure that your child has access to the best resources and the best possible education. If you receive any of the qualifying benefits listed, please apply for Free School Meals.

There is more information about Free School Meals [on the Liverpool City Council website](#).

Many thanks for your cooperation,

Mr R Morris
Headteacher



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