



18th November 2011

Dear Parents and Carers

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

Register now to make sure we don't miss out

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

For every child registered, Green Lane Primary Academy gets £488 this year.

With this money we could further develop and resource our enhanced curriculum.

Please register before Christmas to make sure your child and others in their class don't miss out.

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 – go to www.leeds.gov.uk (advice and benefits section and then benefits) to register online; or ring 0113 222 4404 to talk to someone who will help you over the phone.
3. If you want your child to have a free, healthy meal at lunchtime that's great – they will get the free meal (saving you more than £350 a year) and the academy gets £488 extra.
4. If you don't want your child to have Free School Meals they can continue as normal – as long as you qualify and are registered, the school still gets £488 extra.

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

Please talk to us about registering your child today.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. T. Prince
Principal

Do you qualify?

You can register your child for Free School Meals 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 they 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

Come and talk to us if you're not sure or ring our Family Support Workers, Helen Jackson and Kimberly Wells on 0113 336 8610 or 0113 336 1717

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