

If you apply for free school meals via the school and your application is successful we will provide you with a £20 uniform voucher to spend at Pages of Maidstone uniform shop.

The staff in school are best placed to identify what would be of most benefit to the children who are eligible as well as supplementing some activities and or resources. These include a contribution to the following:

- School Trips – the school will automatically fund up to 50% of the cost of any trip/visit organised for their class during the year.
- Swimming - the school will fund up to 50% of the cost of weekly swimming lessons organised by the school at the leisure centre.
- Uniform - Two sets of uniform/ shoes each year, once in the autumn term and once in the spring term (Up to a total of £100 for the academic year).
- A place at breakfast club for those children who attend on a regular basis. (This will be withdrawn if the child does not attend regularly once a place has been allocated).
- Access to pastoral support in school via Mrs Martin our family liaison officer .
- Attendance rewards for the whole family at the end of the school year such as cinema tickets or swimming vouchers.
- Peripatetic music lessons in school.
- Fees for some sports clubs held in school eg football, tennis, archery and gymnastic clubs.

You can apply for Free School Meals at any time during the year. If you apply and are not successful you can apply again at any time if your circumstances change.

Apply online via the Kent County Council website or ask our office staff for a paper application form. (Further details overleaf).

Let us help you

If you have any questions or queries about free school meals or pupil premium funding please contact the school and we will be very happy to help you in confidence.

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Free School Meals and Pupil Premium Information

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What are Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM)?

If your child is in Year 2 or below they will get a free school meal each day regardless of your income. If you receive certain benefits, as well as your child receiving universal infant free school meals, the school may also get some additional money to support your child's learning. You as a parent or carer have to register for this. This is called pupil premium.

What are Free School Meals (FSM)?

Year 3 or above

If your child is in Year 3 or above, you may be able to get free school meals for them. If you receive certain benefits, as well as the possibility of your child receiving free school meals, the school may also get some additional money to support your child's learning. You as a parent or carer have to register for this. This is called pupil premium.

What is Pupil Premium?

Pupil premium is additional funding given to the school by the government to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the gap between them and their peers.

Who is Entitled To Free School Meals

Your child may be entitled to receive the pupil premium if you are entitled to receive one or more of the following:

- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (not including Working Tax Credit) - if the household income is below £16,190
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- an income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 if you are an asylum seeker

How do I apply for free school meals?

The quickest and easiest way to apply for school meals is to apply online at <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/kent/> If you are unable to apply online we can do this for you in school. Simply complete a free school meals application form and the office staff will apply for you on your behalf. Once the application has been processed and if you qualify for free school meals we will inform you of this.

How long will it take for my child to start receiving free school meals?

If your child is in Year 3 or above and you apply for free school meals online, your

eligibility will be checked and your application processed straight away. If your application is successful the school will be notified by email immediately and your child should start receiving their free school meal within 24 hours.

Are there any incentives for me to make an application for free school meals?

If you apply in school using the free school meals application form, you will receive a £20 Pages of Maidstone school uniform shop gift voucher.

Where can I find further information on how pupil premium is spent in school?

More information about Pupil Premium can be found on the school website at www.brunswick-house.kent.sch.uk or on the Kent County Council website at www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/free-school-meals