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Dear parent/carer

Universal Free Infant School Meals

Children attending school in **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2** are entitled to free school meals, regardless of income or eligibility for benefits.

By receiving free school meals, you can save up to £400 a year and ensure your child is eating a healthy, balanced meal every day.

How Universal Infant Free School Meals will affect Pupil Premium

Iveson Primary School receives extra money for each student on the Free School Meals register. **It's important to register for entitlement to free school meals, even if your child has a packed lunch or is in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – this is so we can receive additional funding (called the Pupil Premium) which we can use to help every Iveson pupil.**

The purpose of Pupil Premium is to ensure that children from low income families are not at a financial disadvantage during their education as a result of home circumstances.

It is important to understand that students don't have to take our meals if they don't want to, but if they are on our Free School Meals register, then they may qualify for all sorts of other financial benefits throughout the year. The Pupil Premium has the potential to have a significant impact on attainment and future life chances for pupils.

In the 2016/17 financial year, schools will receive £1,320 for every primary-aged pupil registered as eligible for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years. Therefore we would like to remind you that if you are what the government terms '*on a low income*' your child qualifies for free school meals.

Children are entitled to Free School Meals if their parents, carers or guardians receive any of the following:

- Income support
- Income-Based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance
- The Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit (Guarantee Credit)
- Support under part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit, if you have an annual taxable income (as assessed by H M Revenue and Customs) which does not exceed £16,190



- **Children attending nurseries attached to a Local Education Authority maintained school can have Free School Meals for any full days they attend.**

To find out if your child qualifies for free school meals, and for any help or advice, you could:

- Contact Leeds Revenues & Benefits Service on 0113 222 4404, Monday to Friday, 8am-6pm
- Visit a One Stop Centre
- Check The Leeds City Council website: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

I will be available during parent teacher consultation week if you would like some help to complete the forms, W/C 13th March, alternatively you can book an appointment by contacting me through the school office, sending me an email or a text.

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Here is what some Pupil Premium money has been spent on this financial year:

- **Nurture provision-** Nurture provision to develop social and emotional areas of development for individuals and small groups.
- **Breakfast club provision-** subsidised to enable pupils to attend and receive a healthy start to the school day.
- **School uniform, PE kit and book bags-** available free to pupils in need.
- **Additional Teaching Assistant and staff training-** To support pupils to achieve their full potential in reading, writing, maths and computing.
- **To provide in school access to Speech and Language support** - Speech and Language training for members of support staff to deliver Speech and Language support to identified pupils.
- **Providing a range of opportunities to enrich cultural understanding and develop broader life experiences-** Financial support towards trips and residential.
- **Opportunities for music sessions-** violin session weekly.
- **Iveson Passport-** Throughout their time at Iveson every child will have the opportunity to build a den, visit a local museum, work at a university, watch a pantomime, have regular library visits, visit the sea side, hold a mini beast, go on a residential visit, go to the theatre, go geocaching, experience a farm visit and much more...

Yours Sincerely

Mandy Scott

