

Notes section - for parents

You can use the space here to write down the information you need to find out if you can register your child for Free School Meals (FSM)

My full name

Date of birth

My National Insurance Number

or National Asylum Support Service (NASS) Number

My child's name

My child's date of birth

You can make a call yourself to find out if you can register your child for FSM or ask your child's school to help you do this.

**You can call the free school meals team on
0116 305 5000**

Frequently asked questions:

I cannot find my National Insurance number. What do I do?

Call the National Insurance Enquiries helpline on 0300 200 3500.

Will the Pupil Premium (PP) affect my benefits?

No, if your child receives the PP, it will not affect any benefits you may be entitled to.

How can I ensure the school gets the extra Pupil Premium funding for my child?

You need to find out first if you can register your child for Free School Meals (FSM). You can do this a few months before your child starts school. It is important to register your child for FSM, even if you are going to send a packed lunch with them every day.

Does my child automatically qualify for FSM if they have older brothers/sisters in school who are already registered?

No, you need to register each child.

I need help to make contact with the Free School Meals team. What do you suggest I do?

Your child's teachers in school can answer any questions you may have about the PP and FSM. They will be able to find someone to support you with the registration process.

Don't let your child miss out!

The Pupil Premium Information for parents

Did you know that extra money could be available to help your child's learning and development?



It's quick and easy to find out if you can claim for your child.

What is the Pupil Premium (PP)?

The Pupil Premium is extra government money which is paid to schools to support children's learning and development.

Your child's school can support you in finding out if your child could receive the extra money.

Your child's school can choose how to best spend the Pupil Premium money and will work with you to make sure your child benefits from the extra funding.

Who could benefit from this money?

Children from the reception year to year 11 may be eligible if they:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • are registered for Free School Meals (FSM) 	See the back of this leaflet for how to register your child for FSM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have been registered for FSM at any point in the last 6 years 	Let your child's school know this information if you haven't already
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • are or have been in care • have parents in the armed forces 	

*If your child could claim for FSM but takes a packed lunch to school, it's still important you tell their school. This will let them know your child is able to receive the Pupil Premium.

Your child could benefit from:

- exciting new learning activities and opportunities to widen their life experiences
- one to one or small group sessions
- extra tools, materials and equipment to help with learning in school or at home
- before/after school clubs or activities

The Pupil Premium

"The teachers say she talks more at Forest School - I think it's freer out there for her. She tells us all about it at home."
Parent



"At Forest School I learnt not to be scared of spiders."
Child



"His face was a picture - he's never been to the seaside before."
Parent

"My son asks every day if it is his swimming session... he loves it so much."
Parent



"I wanted to hold him forever!"
Child



Why should I register my child for Free School Meals (FSM)?

- Children who are registered for Free School Meals (FSM) are entitled to the Pupil Premium.
- Your child isn't automatically registered for FSM, even though all infant children are entitled to receive a free school meal.