



Bourton Meadow School

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Dear Parents

Pupil Premium

As you may be aware the coalition Government is going to introduce **The Pupil Premium** which is funding, schools will receive for pupils eligible to claim free school meals. If you think your child could be eligible for free school meals we would really appreciate it if you would come to the school office and ask for a form, alternatively you can download a form from our website under School lunches. You only have to fill this out once and we then continue to check your child's eligibility for you. If your child is eligible, we will receive the additional funding regardless of whether your child takes advantage of the free meals or not. All requests will be dealt with in the strictest confidence.

Midday provision of meals is given free of charge to pupils whose parents/guardians are in receipt of:

- INCOME SUPPORT (IS)
- INCOME BASED JOB SEEKERS ALLOWANCE (IBJSA)
- AN INCOME-RELATED EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT ALLOWANCE
- CHILD TAX CREDIT: except if you meet ANY of the following criteria -
 - i) entitled to working tax credit (regardless of income)
 - ii) have an annual income in excess of £16,190 (Please note that this figure is for April 2010 and that it changes in April each year).
- SUPPORT UNDER PART VI OF THE IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM ACT 1999
- GUARANTEE ELEMENT OF STATE PENSION CREDIT (GE)

If you feel that you are not currently eligible to apply for free school meals but your circumstances change in the future please come and see us. Application forms are available from the school office or our website (to be returned by **Monday 17th January** together with documentary evidence). Alternatively, I am happy to discuss this further should you wish to do so.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further assistance.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Taylor-Hopkins
Head Teacher
