## **Applying for Free School Meals**

## Could your child be entitled to Pupil Premium and the benefits that it provides?

It's quick and easy to see if you are entitled, just log on to: <u>www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals</u> <u>http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals</u> and complete the online registration form, it really is that easy!

The Government has introduced funding so that all Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 children are entitled to free school meals. However, if you are on a low income or in receipt of any of these benefits:

Income Support; Income based Job Seekers Allowance; Child Tax Credit (with no element of Working Tax Credit) and a household income below £16,190; Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999; Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit; Universal Credit; Income Related Employment and Support Allowance

then your child may also be entitled to Pupil Premium.

If you would like to apply for a free nutritionally balanced meal for your child/ children at school, please contact our Free School Meals Team on 01604 236656, email <a href="mailto:freeschoolmeals@northamptonshire.gov.uk">freeschoolmeals@northamptonshire.gov.uk</a> or you can apply online at <a href="mailto:www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals">www.northamptonshire.gov.uk</a> or you can apply online at <a href="mailto:www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals">www.northamptonshire.gov.uk</a> or you can apply online at <a href="mailto:www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals">www.northamptonshire.gov.uk</a> or you can apply online at <a href="mailto:www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals">www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals@northamptonshire.gov.uk</a> or you can apply online at <a href="mailto:www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals">www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals@northamptonshire.gov.uk</a> or you can apply online at <a href="mailto:www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals">www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals@northamptonshire.gov.uk</a> or you can apply online at <a href="mailto:www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals">www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals@northa

Our school's budget and the comparison of our results with similar schools are based on how many children are eligible for *free school meals*. This is not the universal free school meals (UFSM) in Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 where children are entitled to a free meal under the Government initiative. This is a sum of money given to the school based on the number of children who are registered on the Free School Meal database. This money can be used to support registered children in many different ways to provide extra support to their learning. **Please see if YOUR child is entitled today!** 

If you are interested in how our school's Pupil Premium Funding was spent last year, please take a look on our school website or ask to speak with Mr Shaw (Deputy Principal) or Mrs Morris (Finance Manager).