

23rd June 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: FREE SCHOOL MEALS

I am writing to encourage you to sign up for free school meals (FSM) if you are eligible to do so. Your son will benefit from a free meal daily and the school will receive additional funding of £985 per pupil to provide extra support and educational opportunities. This funding is very much needed to meet the needs of our pupils.

Is my son eligible for free school meals?

Your son will be eligible if you access any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)

How do I register?

If you think your son might be eligible, please apply online before the end of July:

https://ems.islingtonschools.net/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en/Account/Register

You will need to have the following ready when registering:

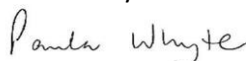
- Your National Insurance Number or
- Your National Asylum Support Service Number

If you would like assistance to apply for free school meals, you are invited to come into school from 10am to 3pm on Wednesday 5th July or Friday 7th July and Ms Bhoptra (our School Business Manager) will assist you. Please bring your National Insurance Number or your National Asylum Support Service Number with you.

Alternatively, you can contact the free school meals team on freeschoolmeal@islington.gov.uk if you have any problems.

Please do take the time to apply for the above if you are eligible as it will benefit both your son and the school.

Thanks for your continued support.



Paula Whyte
Headteacher