



Bathampton Primary School
Together on a learning adventure

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**FREE SCHOOL MEALS
FOR FAMILIES ON LOW INCOMES**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Did you know ... that by registering your child for Free School Meals, your child will have a free, healthy meal at lunchtime (saving you more than £350 a year) and the school will also receive additional funding?

Please note that even children receiving Universal Free School Meals (in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2), will benefit from the additional funding if you apply for Free School Meals on the basis of a low income.

The Government is giving money to schools to help children from lower income families do their very best. This funding is called 'Pupil Premium'. For every child registered for Free School Meals, the school receives £1,300 this year.

With this money we give children literacy and numeracy intervention support, as appropriate. If you are registered for Free School Meals it may also be possible to get help with the cost of school trips, music lessons and other school expenses.

How does it work?

You can apply via the Local Authority website, at:

<http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/schools-colleges-and-learning/school-meals-and-catering/free-school-meals>

Information about who will qualify is on that page or you can phone the Council on Free School Meals helpline on 01225 394317 to make a telephone registration. You just need to tell them your name and National Insurance Number and they can work out if you are eligible.

All information about families is held in strictest confidence. The children are served and eat together in the school hall.

Yours sincerely

Cathryn MacDougall
(Finance Officer)