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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: pupil premium and free school meals

If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' and you register them for this, we'll receive extra funding called 'pupil premium'. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school.

For example, we've previously used pupil premium funding for:

- Educational provision/resources
- Academic interventions
- Wellbeing and self-esteem building interventions

Your child will also be eligible for free milk and help with school clothing costs, whilst at Long Lee Primary School.

Is my child eligible for free school meals?

Your child might be eligible if you access:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Employment and Support Allowance
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit with an annual income of less than £16,190 provided you are not receiving Working Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit

Universal infant free school meals

Currently, pupils in reception, year 1 and year 2 are entitled to a free school meal thanks to a different government funding scheme known as universal infant free school meals (UIFSM). You shouldn't confuse UIFSM with free schools meals and the pupil premium.

If your child is in reception, year 1 or year 2 and is eligible for free school meals according to the criteria above, you should still register because we'll receive the extra pupil premium funding and your child will also be eligible for free milk and help with school clothing costs, whilst at Long Lee Primary School.

Does my child have to eat the free school meals?

No. Pupils who are registered for free school meals don't have to eat them. If you're eligible but you want your child to have packed lunches you should still register because the school will receive the funding which can support your child in other ways.

How do I register?

To register, please complete the attached Free School Meals and Pupil Premium Registration Form or register online at www.bradford.gov.uk/schoolmeals and register your details for the free school meals.

School also realise that we are in unprecedented times and some of our families may find themselves in financial uncertainty. You may have recently become eligible for Universal Credit due to your current situation however, your child will not automatically receive Free School Meals. If you have applied for Universal Credit and you have received confirmation that you are eligible, please apply for Free School Meals via the Bradford Council website or complete the attached form and school can apply on your behalf.

Yours faithfully

Mrs S Holdsworth
Headteacher