

What about this universal free school meals initiative?

From September 2014, children in Reception, Y1 or Y2 are entitled to the universal free school meals initiative. This means that all children in these year groups can have a delicious and healthy meal every day in school free of charge.

We would still urge parents to complete a Free School Meals (FSM) application as these children may still be eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant helping us to provide more resources, staffing, subsidise trips and help support your child's development and learning.

My child prefers a home packed lunch...

If your child prefers home packed lunches we would ask that they give school dinners a try. They may like our new menus and they don't have to have school dinners every day. Please do still complete the FSM form to help support your child with the Pupil Premium funding.

What should I do now?

If you think you meet the criteria for FSM, please either apply online via the Doncaster Council website, give them a call or pop into school to collect one of our forms. A member of the office team will be more than happy to assist and advise you with this.



How is the Pupil Premium Grant used?

As a school we use the Pupil Premium grant in many different ways to help support the children. These include:

- Hiring additional staff - we have a Teaching Assistant in each class
- Run a range of booster, revision and additional learning sessions
- Run successful programmes such as 1:1 tuition for our Y2 and Y6 children to help prepare them for their national tests
- Run a wide range of free after-school clubs
- Subsidise the cost of trips and residentials
- Purchase additional learning resources such as home study books, online revision tools and more
- Subsidise peripatetic music lessons

Finding out more

You can find more information about the

Pupil Premium Grant, including a full report on our spending on our school website at:

<http://www.branton-st-wilfrids-primary.co.uk>

**BRANTON ST
WILFRID'S CE
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

A GUIDE TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND PUPIL PREMIUM



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Healthy Eating

Over the last few years the quality of school food has improved dramatically. We are proud to manage and make our own fresh dinners on site everyday.



Research shows that pupils are more likely to concentrate in lessons if they have eaten a nutritionally balanced meal at lunchtime. By choosing school lunches, not only will you be saving yourself the time and hassle of preparing a packed lunch everyday, you can also be sure that your child is getting the range and amount of food that will help contribute to their health and well-being.

At Branton St Wilfrid's CE Primary we employ a choice system so that children are able to select the meal they want—menus are available on the school website. This ensures everyone is happy and food wastage is minimised. Special dietary requirements can be catered for - please speak to us about this.



What is the Pupil Premium?

The Pupil Premium is allocated to schools with pupils on roll that are known to have been eligible for free school meals (FSM) at any time in the last six years. It also includes children whose parents work in the armed forces or who have been looked after by the Local Authority.

The funding allocation per pupil changes each year. Schools have the freedom to spend the Pupil Premium, Grant which is additional to the main school's budget, in a way they think will best address inequalities, tackle disadvantage and support the raising of attainment for our pupils. This additional funding is invested in your child's education to help them achieve more at school.

We assure parents that all matters regarding the use of this special fund are treated with discretion and in confidence.



Free school meals

Could your child be eligible for free school meals? In these difficult financial times, we want to make sure you are getting all the help you are due. There are a number of quick and easy ways to find out.

You can:

- Apply online at www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/free-school-meals
- Tel : 01302 736000
- Or contact the school direct.

Who qualifies for FSM?

If you receive the following benefits you will be able to claim a meal for your children:

- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit with an annual household income of less than £16,190 and do not get working tax credit.