



Dear Parents/Carers

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Did you know... Just by registering your child for Free School Meals the school gets extra money from the government?

PLEASE REGISTER NOW TO MAKE SURE WE DON'T MISS OUT.

The Government is giving money to schools to support the education of children who are entitled to free school meals. This funding is called a Pupil Premium. **For every child registered Earlsheaton Technology College gets £488 currently and this will increase to £600 shortly.**

The Pupil Premium allows us to provide additional resources, activities and support. Those registered for Free School Meals could also get free after school clubs, help with the cost of school trips and other activities.

PLEASE REGISTER NOW TO MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD AND OTHERS DO NOT MISS OUT.

No one knows when you are registered as the cashless catering system we operate treats all pupils the same and no one else is aware of who qualifies and who does not.

Do you qualify?

Check if you qualify - please look at the list below. You can register your child for Free School Meals if you receive any of these benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (**and are not entitled to Working Tax Credit**) and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs).

How to apply?

Registering is really quick & easy if you think you qualify contact Attendance and Pupil Support Services by:

- Telephone: 01924 326004/5
- or call in to the Kirklees Information Point located in Dewsbury Town Hall
- or go online to the Kirklees website www.kirklees.gov.uk and search 'Free School Meals'.

Pupils can be registered for Free School Meals if they qualify for any of these benefits. Your child will have a free healthy meal each lunch time (possibly saving you £350 or more a year) and the school receives an extra £488 now rising to £600 shortly.

Please come in and discuss this with me if you are unsure or would like any further information and/or assistance in making your application.

Yours sincerely

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