



April 2022

## IMPORTANT

### DO YOU QUALIFY FOR EXTRA FUNDING FOR YOUR CHILD AT SCHOOL?

Pupil Premium funding is additional funding that is given to the school for those children who qualify for "Free school meals".

To qualify, you must be in receipt of one of the following 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 Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit; this is as long as you're not entitled to Working Tax Credit and your annual gross income is no more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' payment (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit: this is as long as your household income is less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

This funding contributes to the cost of extra activities and staff support in each classroom. **Even if you do not want your child to have the meals, just by successfully registering, your child will be able to get support with the following:**

- **School uniform grant**
- **Funding towards music tuition**
- **Funding towards school trips**
- **Funding towards after school activities**

You may apply via [www.Dorsetforyou.com](http://www.Dorsetforyou.com) website - typing free school meals into the search box. This will take you to the information page which refers to UIFSM and Pupil Premium. This page also has links on how to apply and the eligibility process. You can enquire directly about entitlement to Free School Meals Pupil Premium Funding on 01305 221090 or email [freeschoolmeals@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:freeschoolmeals@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk) (you will need to provide your National Insurance number and will then be told if your child is eligible for the funding). **Alternatively, you can complete the form on the reverse of this letter, and we will check your eligibility on your behalf.**

Please help us to help you, if you have any queries, please speak to the school office.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Fuller  
Headteacher

**CHRISTCHURCH JUNIOR SCHOOL**  
**FREE SCHOOL MEALS ELIGIBILITY CHECK**

**DECLARATION**

<b>TITLE</b>	
<b>SURNAME</b>	
<b>FORENAME</b>	
<b>EMAIL</b>	
<b>ADDRESS</b>	
<b>YOUR DATE OF BIRTH</b>	
<b>YOUR NATIONAL INSURANCE NUMBER</b>	
<b>CHILD'S FORENAME &amp; SURNAME</b>	
<b>CHILD'S DATE OF BIRTH</b>	

I confirm that I am happy for an on-line application to be made on my behalf through the Dorset Direct website, to determine if my child is eligible for free school meals. I understand that the information given will be treated as strictly confidential and will only be used for this purpose.

**Signed**..... **Date**.....

**Name (block capitals)**.....

**Please hand this form into the school office.**

<b>OFFICE USE ONLY</b>			
<b>Date form received</b>		Eligibility	YES/NO
<b>Date check completed</b>		Completed by	
<b>Parent informed</b>			