

Dear Parents and Carers

**RE: FREE SCHOOL MEALS / FREE SCHOOL UNIFORM & HALF PRICE TRIPS**

If your child is in Foundation 2-Year 2 and is entitled to a Universal Infant Free School Meal you may still be entitled to additional benefits by applying for a separate Free School Meals benefit which will in turn attract additional funding for our school known as Pupil Premium Funding, enabling us to buy additional resources & staff to support the children.

**Apply for Free School Meals...**  
**It's quick and easy using the online form at:**  
<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims-wirral/> or complete  
**and return the attached Consent Form and we can apply on  
your behalf.**

Look at the benefits:

- **A free school meal for your child, which is good for their health and could help their learning.**
- **One free school uniform voucher per year and half price trips if your application is successful.**
- **Extra money for the school through Pupil Premium, worth at least £900 a year to spend on additional resources/staff which will benefit the pupils of the entire school.**

Remember by registering your child for Free School Meals means that Our Lady and St Edwards School receives additional funding & you receive a free uniform & half price trips, **even if you prefer your child to have a packed lunch.** No one will know you have registered and it will not affect any other benefits you are claiming.

If you want further information then please talk to the School Office or email at the address above; everything you say will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Murphy

## Online Free School Meal Check – Consent Form (please complete and return to the School Office)

I agree that you will use the information provided to process my claim for free school meals and will contact other sources as allowed by law to verify my initial, and ongoing, entitlement.

I agree that the information may be used to ensure accuracy of records across the local authority and the check against fraud.

I agree that you can inform the school attended by my child of their initial and ongoing entitlement to free school meals.

Eligibility is based on one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- 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 guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

To enable us to complete an application on your behalf you will need to provide the following:

Your name	
National Insurance Number Or National Asylum Support Service Ref Number	
Your Date of Birth	
Relationship to child	
Your Email	
Your Phone Number	
Home address (first line and post code)	
Childs name	
Childs Date of Birth	
Childs gender	
School that they attend	

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian

Date: \_\_\_\_\_