



Dear Parents and Carers

Could your child and the school be missing out on vital additional funding during this already difficult time?

Due to the current climate and probability that some households may have unfortunately lost their income or be on a considerably reduced income, we thought it was a good time to check if your child may now qualify for pupil premium. If you are in receipt of any of the benefits listed you may be eligible to help with the cost of food for your child, while the school is closed through free school meal vouchers. The school would receive additional funding for your child to provide extra support and resources and help with the cost of food.

Are you currently receiving one of these benefits?

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

If the answer is 'yes' **and you have not already applied for free school meals**, all you need to do is go to <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims> and perform a simple online check to see if you are eligible. All information is kept confidential at all times. In the event of difficulties accessing this system, please email mrslane@darlinghurst.co.uk who can check whether you are eligible.

If the online check confirms that you are eligible then we will contact you automatically and arrange for free school meals vouchers to be sent out to you, you do not need to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Darlinghurst Academy