

## Lord Deramore's Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to invite every single family to complete the attached form for 'Free School Meals' funding should they be potentially eligible.

Although every child in Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2 receives a 'free school meal', I would urge all new and potentially eligible parents to complete the online application form via <a href="https://admissions.york.gov.uk/Enrol/Website/default.aspx">https://admissions.york.gov.uk/Enrol/Website/default.aspx</a> or fill in the attached one. Paper copies can be provided by the school office.

If awarded, this funding not only provides your child with a free school meal in Years 3-6 but it also provides additional funding which must be used to support **your** child's learning within school. This can include extra tuition or additional adult support that is on top of their normal school entitlement.

Free School Meals funding is attached to each eligible child for a period of **six years** - even if parents/carers were only temporarily eligible at the point of application. I would therefore like to remind parents and carers about the importance of them making an application at **any time during the year** should they find themselves:

- Temporarily out of work
- Experiencing a short-term drop in household income of below £16,190 per annum (e.g. reducing hours at work, studying at college or university etc.)
- Living independently due to a separation from a working partner

All applications made are confidential.

If you think there is a chance that you may be eligible, please take a few minutes to complete the form. It would certainly be in your child's best interests.

With very best wishes,

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James Rourke Headteacher