



Dear Parents and Carers,

Executive Headteacher Mrs J Shorrocks
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We would like all parents to read the information below carefully.

As a school we fully understand the increased cost of living is having an impact on many lives and any help and support would be appreciated. If you have not done so before, or if your personal circumstances have recently changed, you may qualify for free school meals, which in turn offers discounts on money off school residentials and school events. If you're an eligible parent or carer of a child attending school, you'll receive an electronic shopping to cover holiday periods: this has previously been a voucher worth £15 per child per week.

If your child does qualify for free school meals, the school also receives an additional amount of money. This additional funding contributes to school visits, enrichment opportunities, additional staffing, uniform and much more. For more detail, please see the Pupil Premium statement on the school's website <https://northbrookpa.org/>. In order to ensure this funding for the school, all families must apply for 'Free School Meals'. This is a simple and pain free process and one which we encourage all our eligible families to complete; even if you choose not to have the free school meal, the school will still receive the funding.

Please use the link below and apply; even if you have been rejected before. It is a quick process and you will be informed immediately if you do qualify.

If you need to contact the school for additional support or complete the form with a member of staff, please ring on 01772 421992. We are, as ever, happy to help.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/?page=2>

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- 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 (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 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Thank you

Mrs Shorrocks