



## Bebington High Sports College

Dear Parents and Carers

***Did you know ... just registering your child for Free School Meals means that the school gets extra money?***

***Register now to make sure we don't miss out***

The Government is giving money to schools to help children from lower income families do their very best. This funding is called a 'Pupil Premium'. **For every child registered Bebington High Sports College gets £488 this year.**

With this money we could increase our number of Mathematics and English teachers as well as One to One support, If you are registered for Free School Meals you could also get financially assist school visits and music tuition etc.

**Please register before Christmas Bebington High Sports College to make sure your child and others in their class don't miss out.**

### **How does it work?**

1. First, check if you qualify – it is not just if you are unemployed, so please look at the list on the next page.
2. Registering is really quick and easy – if you think you qualify, contact **Ms S Lowey at school phone 0151 606 2002** who will help you to register.

**You can also download an application form from this website**

3. If you want your child to have a free, healthy meal at lunchtime that's great – they will get the free meal (saving you more that £350 a year), extra benefits and the school gets £488 extra.
4. If you don't want your child to have the school meals they can continue as normal – as long as you qualify and are registered, the school still gets £488 extra.

***No one will know you have registered and it will not affect any other benefits you are claiming.***

***Please talk to us about registering your child today.***

Yours sincerely,

Brian Jordan  
Headteacher

## **Do you qualify?**

You can register your child for Free School Meals if you get any of these 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 Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Students can also register for Free School Meals if they get any of these benefits themselves. **Come and talk to us if you're not sure.**