



Sprowston Community High School
and Sixth Form

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“the purpose of life is a life of purpose”

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Dear Parents, Guardian, Carers

Did you know ... just registering your child for Free School Meals means that the school gets extra funds to help support students in school?

Register now to make sure we don't miss out

The Government is giving money to schools to help children from specific income families do their very best. This funding falls under 'Pupil Premium'.

For every child registered, Sprowston Community High School receives £935 for the academic year to aid provision and support.

With this money we can provide additional high quality teaching and support staff within the school. The school also can use the money to purchase stationary and equipment for academic studies and intervention, as well as the development of Pathways; the Pupil Premium intervention base for additional pastoral and academic support. If you are registered for Free School Meals you could also get some financial assistance with school trips and activities that are essential to the curriculum to aid your child's studies.

Please register before October half term to make sure your child doesn'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 – complete the attached form and send it to the given address.



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 than £350 a year), extra benefits and the school gets £935 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 £935 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,

Miss L. Wood

Deputy Headteacher & SENCO

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 £16,190.00
- 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 at Student Reception.**