

Ghyllside Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Free School Meals and Clothing Grants

If you are entitled to certain benefits you may be able to claim 'Free School Meals and Clothing Grants' from the local authority. Children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 are entitled to 'Universal Free School Meals' but this is different so please still apply. All schools receive extra funding for children entitled to 'Free School Meals and Clothing Grants'. The extra funding continues for the following six years and is called 'Pupil Premium'. There are advantages for children who are eligible, such as:

- The local authority provides a Clothing Grant of £25 for each child.
- School milk is provided free.
- Financial help is given to parents when paying for school trips and residential visits.
- Free uniform pack consisting of a sweatshirt, poloshirt and PE kit.

If you think you may be eligible please visit www.cumbria.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.

The application process is held within the Citizen's portal and the link is:

https://emsonline.cumbria.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCitizenPortal_LIVE

Alternatively, you can complete the attached application form then return it to the School Office and we shall send it to the local authority on your behalf.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the School Office. Thank you.

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