

Knowsley Junior School

Respecting each other, succeeding together.

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Dear Parent/Guardian

School dinners at Knowsley Junior School

School lunches are £2.10 a day, £10.50 a week. Sample menus are available from the school office. Dinners can be paid online using 'School Money' or sent into school by cheque or cash. Please contact school if you would like more information.

Changes from school dinners to packed lunches (and vice versa) can only be made at the beginning of each half term as food for school meals is ordered in advance.

Can we also remind you, at break time children are encouraged to either bring in or buy a healthy snack, e.g. fruit, filled bread rolls, cheese cubes, plain crackers and vegetable sticks. Sweets, crisps or chocolate are not allowed at break time. We are a nut free school, any snacks, food or drink brought into school must not contain nuts or nut based products.

Free School Meals

Did you know you may be entitled to free school meals?

'Universal free school meals' only applies to infant children. Now your child is in the juniors you will be aware that your child is no longer automatically entitled to free school meals.

Your child may be eligible for free school meals if you receive 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

Even if your child does not want to have a school meal, it is important that you register. You may not be aware that if your child is entitled to free school meals, school receives extra funding. This extra money is called **Pupil Premium** and is used to help support your child in their learning. More information about how this money is spent is on our website. Application forms are available from the school office, on the school website or through Oldham Council's website. Please contact school if you need any help with this.

Yours sincerely

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