



# Kader Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Are you eligible for Pupil Premium?** **Free Schools Meals and Pupil Premium Information**

Currently, pupils in Years 1 and 2 as well as Reception children all receive free school meals, these are paid by government funding. This provision is called Universal Infant Free School Meals or UIFSM.

In addition to this funding, parents in low income families or those that are unemployed can also apply for Pupil Premium funding so that their children can receive free school meals in subsequent school years (Year 3 and onwards). Pupil Premium funding can also give children access to some discounted educational trips and events throughout their school years.

Please read on to find out how to check if you are eligible and if so, how to apply for this financial support.

### **Introduction**

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, Kader Academy gets additional funding. This additional funding allows us to provide an even better education for your child through the purchase of additional resources or staff to support learning.

### **Are you eligible?**

You can register your child for Free School Meals and pupil premium if you receive any of these benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- 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 you 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

Please note you are not eligible if you are in receipt of Working Tax Credit.

### How to apply

Registering is really quick and easy – you can apply by completing our form and returning it to the school office. Alternatively you can contact Free School Meals direct at Stockton Council on 01642 526606.

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 £365 a year.

If you don't want your child to have the free school meals, they can continue as normal – as long as you qualify and are registered, you still get discounts for some educational activities from the additional funding that the school will receive.

If you would like further information or would like to speak to a member of staff, please contact Mrs Finn in confidence at our school office either in person or on 01642 286599

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

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Mitchinson  
Acting Principal

