## The Warriner School

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Dear Parent, Carer or Guardian,

## **APPLICATION FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

For your information, Free Schools Meals (FSM) is a status that can be gained to support students with the cost of food during the school day. It is important to know that if students qualify for free school meals, they are also entitled to further support, under the Pupil Premium initiative. Students that are in receipt of this status can access wider support such as financial assistance for enrichment activities, academic resources for GCSE qualification, bespoke pastoral support and/or attendance assistance. Further details can be found under the Pupil Premium section of our website. If you qualify for free school meals, this status lasts until the end of Year 11, without the need to reapply.

We are happy to see if you qualify; in the first instance please contact Mrs Viggers at email address j.viggers @warriner.oxon.sch.uk enclosing your name, the student's name, your date of birth and National Insurance number. From this an eligibility check will be made with Oxfordshire County Council. If there are any queries you may be asked to provide hard-copy evidence and this is something we can support you with.

Should you be entitled to the FSM scheme you should be aware that you have a legal duty to inform the school of any changes to your support payment.

Under the current criteria, children who receive, or whose parents or Guardians receive, one or more of the following support payments are entitled to receive FSM:

- 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 if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Viggers Admin Manager





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