

## St. Werburgh's C. E. Primary School

Love to learn, Love God, Love one another

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear parent/carer,

We hope that you are well.

We are all aware that things may be getting a little tighter in homes following the pandemic, and rising energy costs are also impacting on us at home and at work.

As you may be aware, support is available for a number of families through the 'Free School Meals' programme. By clicking on the link below, you can see if you are eligible for Free School Meals for your child. As payments for school meals in Key Stage 2 are all made remotely via Arbor, children are unaware at registration time of who may receive free meals and who do not, as choices are all registered the same way.

A daily free meal is not the only benefit for each child: a successful application means that we can also support with contributions towards payment for school educational visits, or towards music tuition when this returns, and offer some additional support for your child in school.

## Reception and Key Stage 1

Although children in Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 are entitled to a free meal each day through the Universal Infant Free School Meal scheme; you can also still apply for Free School Meals. If your application is successful, your child continues to receive their free meal and is also therefore entitled to the additional benefits too.

To see if you are eligible for this helpful benefit for your child, please follow this link and if appropriate, complete the simple form.

## www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Educational-awards-benefits/FreeSchoolMeals

Any applications are completed online (through the link above) and school are notified directly by Staffordshire Local Authority of any successful applications.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Kindest regards,

The St. Werburgh's team

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