**Pupil Premium Registration**

Dear Parent/ Carer

From April 2015, Nurseries, Schools, Child minders and other childcare providers have been able to claim extra funding through the Pupil Premium/ Free school meals funding to support children’s development, learning and care.

We wanted to write to you to explain what the Pupil Premium/Free school meals funding is, explain who is eligible for this funding and, importantly, ask you to consider taking the time to register online if you believe you are eligible so that we as a provider can claim the extra funding next year and for a further 6 years.

Pupil Premium provides an extra £1,320 to the school for any parents who are in receipt of certain benefits or £2,300 if the child was formerly in Local Authority Care (LAC) but who has left care because they were adopted or were subject to a Special Guardianship or Child Arrangements Order. This additional money could make a significant difference to us.

We can use the extra funding in any way we choose to improve the quality of the education that we provide for your child. This could include, for example, additional training for our staff, investing in partnership working with our colleagues in the area to further our expertise or supporting our staff in working on specialised areas such as speech and language.

Further information regarding Pupil Premium can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/pupil-premium-information-for-schools-and-alternative-provision-settings>

Please see the attached form detailing who may be entitled to apply. We would encourage you to apply even if you think your circumstances may change in the future as schools still receive funding for a further 6 years regardless of whether they come off the register or not. This funding also applies even if your child is Universal Free School Meals like at our school so please do not think that your child will not benefit. Your child will also receive free School Milk for the duration your child is on the FSM register saving you money if you pay for your child’s milk through Cool Milk.

**The process only takes around 10 minutes to complete and we would be very grateful if you would be willing to do this if you qualify.**

Please visit either <http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-milk> or <https://emsonline.nottscc.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE> for further information and to register. A copy of this link is on our website for easy accessibility through smart devices. If you require a paper copy please see the school office.

If you could sign the below slip regardless of whether you have applied, then we would be grateful as that way we can monitor our systems and look out for your child’s name appearing on our register if applicable.

We thank you again for all your continued support for our School and please feel free to come and seek help or clarification from us if needed.

Yours Kindly,

School Office

**Register for Pupil Premium / Free School Meals**

Name of child……………………………………………………………………………

I can confirm that I have registered my child for free school meals.

I do not qualify for this funding at this time.

I understand that this funding if applicable is not guaranteed and there are certain criteria the government must check.

Signed ………………………………………………………………. Parent/Carer

Date: …………………………………………….