



8<sup>th</sup> September 2020

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Dear Parents,

A very warm welcome back to school to you all and a special welcome to our new families joining Ashton Hayes Primary School this term. I hope you all had a lovely summer break and are keeping well. It has been wonderful to see our children returning and filling school with warmth and laughter – we have missed them! Our children have adapted very well to the changes in school to help reduce the risk of transmission of Coronavirus – we are impressed with their behaviour and understanding.

Thank you for your compliance and respect of the new measures in place at school, including social distancing and the staggered timings at the start and the end of the day, this is very much appreciated.

At present we are unable to invite parents into school, but rest assured, our children's achievements, successes, effort and thoughtful actions are recognised and praised in school. Please do not hesitate to contact school via email to [admin@ashtonthayes.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ashtonthayes.cheshire.sch.uk) or telephone (01244307408) if you have any concerns or questions or wish to pass on messages to staff.

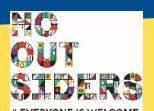
### **Claim additional funding for your child's school**

As you are probably aware, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are automatically eligible for Universal Free School Meals. However, some children may be eligible to receive Pupil Premium Free School Meals as an alternative. We are asking parents and guardians whose income would entitle them to Pupil Premium to contact Cheshire West and Cheshire to make an application.

Pupil Premium is government funding given to your child's school to spend on resources such as one to one tutoring, music lessons, extra-curricular clubs and school trips. From April 2020 the rate increased to **£1345 per primary aged pupil** and is based on children registered for a free school meal, hence the need for your application.

Your child may be entitled to receive Pupil Premium Free School Meals if you are entitled to receive one 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 Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190.
- Universal Credit





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If you think you may be entitled to Pupil Premium, please contact Cheshire West and Cheshire on 0300 123 7039 to make your application over the telephone or alternatively apply online by using the link below.

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/school-meals.aspx>

If you have any questions or need further guidance, please send an email to Mrs Stubbs in the school office [admin@ashtonhayes.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ashtonhayes.cheshire.sch.uk).

Kind regards,

Mr Gilbert  
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