

## **Free School Meals**

## Did you know that just registering for Free School Meals means our school gets extra funding?

Part of the funding our school gets is based on the number of children entitled to free school meals. Some families who are entitled do not claim because their children get a free meal as they are in Reception or Year 1 or 2, however the school then misses out on the extra money to help with support and learning resources. This funding is called a 'Pupil Premium'. For every child registered Deptford Park School gets £1300 this year.

With this money we could increase:

- Speech and Language support and interventions.
- 1:1 support
- Support in Literacy and Numeracy for pupils who are struggling
- The amount of support offered to children in class
- Extra-curricular activities as well as the number of trips and out of school activities
- 1:1 reading support

A significant number of people who are entitled to this provision do not apply as they do not think that they fit the criteria. If you would like advice please ask one of the team in the school office.

You can apply to Lewisham for free school meals by clicking on the link below:

## http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

All parents have access to a website where you can check your child's eligibility for free school meals. The website is user friendly and you will receive an immediate yes or no response. If you are eligible and would like more details of how to apply, please come and speak to a member of staff in the school office. If you would like to check your child's eligibility for free school meals, please click on the link below:

https://pps.lgfl.org.uk