

January 7th, 2011.

Dear Parents / Carers,

FREE SCHOOL TRIPS AND VISITS

From April we intend to provide **free school trips and Outdoor Education Visits, (Kingswood, Walesby etc)** for all children who are on our Free School Meal register. We will be able to offer this money saving service as the Government has announced a new way of funding schools based on the amount of pupils entitled to Free School Meals.

I believe that we have a number of families who may be entitled to Free School Meals but do not wish to claim their entitlement as their child/children prefers to bring a packed lunch to school. Of course your child may still do this but the possibility of Free School Trips and Visits would give you a massive saving during the school year, (the Kingswood Trip alone would cost you £95).

You may be eligible for Free School Meals if you are able to meet the following criteria:

- You and your partner must be in receipt of one of the following benefits:
- Income Support
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance (ISA-IB)
- Guarantee Pension Credit
- Employment and Support Allowance (ESA Income Related)
- Child Tax Credit - but not working Tax Credit - and your income for Tax Credit purposed must be less than £16, 190 (details are shown on you Tax Credit award notice.
- Support under Part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

If any of the above applies to you, please complete the attached application form and take it to the Clifton Cornerstone who will process the form for you.

I can assure you that pupils who receive free school meals are not singled out in any way.

It is vital for us to receive this funding therefore all applications for Free School Meals have to be processed by January 20th. The forms cannot be backdated. I would strongly urge you to take the time to complete the form if you think it could apply to you. For a little effort you could save yourself and your family a great deal of money.

If you wish to discuss this matter further in complete confidentiality please feel free to talk to myself, Ms. Grinnell, Mrs Butler or Mrs Walters who are happy to support you in any way.

Put it on your calendar to do on Monday and you could start saving money immediately.

Yours sincerely,

D. Magner, Headteacher