

# CASSIOBURY INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL

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## Is your child eligible?



Dear Parents and Carers,

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have been entitled to receive a Universal Infant Free School Meal.

Whilst the policy has helped to ensure more children eat healthier, it has had a negative impact on the amount of additional funding schools are able to claim from the Government for low income families. We are therefore asking all families (irrespective of their income statuses) to register their child to receive a meal. It is quick and easy and only has to be done once. It also means schools won't miss out on up to £2300 per year, per child for families on a low income.

During the registration process, parents will be checked for entitlement under low income or simply because their child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2.

Schools will be able to access a report telling them who to claim financial support for and once they have received notification can claim additional funding for that child immediately. This funding is used to support the child during their time at the school through enhancing their educational provision and experiences. As such we wish to use some of their funding to provide greater enrichment opportunities for your child. These will be available to your child in the form of:

- One after school club each week paid for each term
- A new cardigan or jumper for each academic year
- Phonics cards to support with learning at home
- 50% off the cost of each school trip
- Free school milk
- A free book at one of the school book fairs each year

To make an application please go to [www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals](http://www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals)

If you do not have access to a computer at home please come and see us and we can help you complete your application.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Macnish