



15th September 2023 School and Governor Contact (01453 764400) Parentline Plus Helpline (0808 800 2222) School Nurse Contact (0300 421 8959) www.stroudvalleyschool.co.uk

Dates for your diary

September 16th September Sizzle 18th Diamond & Ruby class trin Corinium Museum 18th After school clubs start 27th Boogie Beats Workshops 28th EYFS/KS1 October 3rd Hooke Court Meeting 3pm—Hall 11th-13th **Y5** Hooke Court Trip 19th Harvest Festival 24th Parents' Evenings 25th 26th Last day of Term 1 27th INSET DAY 30th-3rd HALF TERM Nov November 6th First day of Term 2 17th Children in Need December 12th Sunshine & Rainbow Nativity 2pm 13th Sunshine & Rainbow Nativity 6pm 15th After school activity clubs finish today 22nd School Christmas Dinner 22nd Last day of Term 2

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Dear Parents & Carers,

For every child that is entitled to **free school meals** the school receives **extra funding** to enhance provision and improve progress and outcomes for children. Please have a look at the criteria below and if you receive any of the following our school could be entitled to extra **much needed funding**. Even if you don't want your child to receive a meal, you should still register, so that we receive as much funding as possible from the Government. By registering you could **raise an extra £1385** per year to help fund valuable support for your child like extra tuition, teaching assistants, after school clubs, music lessons and sports activities.

Your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any 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 guaranteed element of Pension Credit

• Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than $\pm 16,190$)

• Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Universal Credit - your household income must be less than \pm 7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Your child will be able to get universal free school meals if they're in:

- reception class
- year 1
- year 2

We still ask that you apply for this via the normal free school meals applications so as to prevent your child's school missing out on **additional funding** and of course so that they continue to receive free school meals when they enter year 3 and beyond.

Please remember that you will need to apply for every child—each sibling will need an application.

Here is the link to apply:

<u>https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-</u> <u>transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/</u>

If you are struggling with the form, please call the office and we can help you with it.

Many thanks and every penny counts!