You may already be in receipt of free school meals or you may be eligible to claim free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State 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 £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Children who get any of the above benefits in their own right (i.e. they get benefits payments directly, instead of through a parent or guardian) can also get free school meals

If you wish to check your eligibility prior to completing this form you can do so at <u>www.fsm.lgfl.net</u>

We receive information from the local authority for pupils who are eligible for free school meals. To provide this service, our Local Authority compares our pupil list against the list of those families currently in receipt of benefits in Barnet. The Local Authority will not be sharing any information on the nature of the benefits but only send us a list of pupils who are eligible. Although this check only applies to pupils who

are resident in Barnet, we also use this service to manually check pupils resident in other boroughs.

If you do not wish the local authority to perform this check for your daughter or if you have any questions, please contact either Mrs Turek, Data Manager or the FSM Administrator.

To receive free school meals from the beginning of term please complete the information below.

This will allow us to undertake a manual check in advance of the above automatic checking service.

We are required to check eligibility of all students on a yearly basis and will also use this information to undertake this check.

When a pupil is on our Free School Meals register, the school receives extra funding for that pupil which is spent on improving the education for those on the Free School Meals register. Even if you do not wish your child to take up school meals, please come forward if you think you may be eligible, as both the school and children on the register in particular will benefit from the additional funding.

To register for free school meals, or if you think you may be eligible, please provide us with the following items of information. When complete return to The School Office:

DETAILS OF PARENT/CARER WITH QUALIFYING BENEFIT - COMPLETE IN BLOCK LETTERS

	F/FAMILY NAM										
Initial:		Title:		DOB dd/mm/yyyy			/ /				
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Signed:					Date:						