Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a restful Bank Holiday weekend. We wanted to remind you about a few important events taking place over the next few weeks.

Friday 23rd September – Individual School Photographs from Nursery to Year 6

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September – Whole School Mass (9.30am) for International Peace Day

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Flu Vaccine for Reception to Year 6

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Year 6 Residential Meeting (Details to follow)

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October** – Parents Evening (Reception, Year 1, Year 1/2 and Year 2)

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Parents Evening (Year 3, Year3/4 and Year 4)

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022** – Parents Evening (Year 5, Year 5/6 and Year 6)

Friday 21st October 2022 – School Closes for Half Term

# **Pupil Premium and Free School Meals**

Please see the letter attached below that outlines eligibility.

## **Reminders**

Can we ask all parents/carers that you inform the school if the person collecting your child is not the regular adult collecting at home time. This avoids any confusion. In addition, can we ask that the Data Collection Form is up to date and returned to school as soon as possible.

Again, can we remind you that children can access their classroom from 8:45am and that school begins at 8:55am. It is very important that your child is on time for the start of their lessons.

Kind Regards

Mr Smith and Mrs Atherton

#### Re: Pupil Premium and Free School Meals

If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' and you register them for this, we'll receive extra funding called 'Pupil Premium'. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school.

### What is Pupil Premium funding?

Pupil Premium funding from the government is given to schools to help pupils reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation. It's provided for pupils who:

- Are registered for free school meals
- Have been registered for free school meals at any point in the past 6 years
- Are, or have been, in care
- Have parents in the armed forces

#### Is my child eligible for free school meals?

Your child might be eligible if you access:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or 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 £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)

#### **Universal Infant Free School Meals**

Currently, pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal thanks to a different government funding scheme known as Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM). You shouldn't confuse UIFSM with Free Schools Meals and the Pupil Premium.

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and is eligible for free school meals according to the criteria above, you should still register because we'll receive the extra Pupil Premium funding.

#### Does my child have to eat the free school meals?

No. Pupils who are registered for free school meals don't have to eat them. If you're eligible but you want your child to have packed lunches you should still register because the school will receive the funding which can support your child in other ways.

### How do I register?

You should contact Trafford Local Authority to check if you are eligible and apply online.