



# Comber Grove Primary School



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Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Comber Grove families,

## RE: Eligibility for Free School Meals (FSM)

Every year we ask you to let us know if you are entitled to **Free School Meals**. [This is not the same as Healthier Free School Meals – which means that all children receive a school meal regardless of their family's income or status]. You can check your eligibility by using the link below:

<https://www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/information-for-parents/financial-support/southwark-free-healthy-school-meals>

If your child/children are entitled to FSM, the school will be able to claim additional funding via the Pupil Premium.

Please do let us know as it is important for your children's education. This additional government funding is used to the school to help children to make the best possible progress they can and to provide additional resources and educational experiences that they may not otherwise have access to.

Please complete the attached form - This information will be confidential.

### How it works

Southwark Local Authority remains committed to supporting its disadvantaged pupils during the school holidays, and will continue to pay for Holiday Free School meals for those pupils who are eligible to receive statutory or benefits-related FSM.

This will cover the cost of meals/vouchers provided to any pupils entitled to benefits-related FSM during school holidays:

October half-term 2023, Christmas break 2023, February half-term 2024,  
Easter break 2024.

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The Council will provide *Holiday Free School Meals* in the form of *Post Office Payout* vouchers sent to parents or carers by email just before the start of the school holidays at October half-term 2023, Christmas 2023, February half-term 2024, and Easter 2024.

This includes;

- All nursery pupils, regardless of whether they are part or full-time.
- Those pupils who qualify under the temporary extension of eligibility for free school meal.

### **What is the value of a Holiday Free School Meal?**

Vouchers are worth £3 per day per eligible pupil for each day of school holiday and will be sent to the parent or carer just before the holiday period. The total value of vouchers issued for the period up to Easter will be £90 per child.

Later this year, we will let schools know if *Holiday Free School Meals* will continue to be provided for holidays *after Easter 2024*.

If you have any queries or want to enquire about this scheme and the vouchers provided you must use the link below. The school is unable to answer your enquiries and questions because this is now under the authority of Southwark LA.

Please complete the online form

[https://forms.southwark.gov.uk/ShowForm.asp?fm\\_fid=2246](https://forms.southwark.gov.uk/ShowForm.asp?fm_fid=2246)

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*Please return to the main school office for the attention of Mrs Roberts - SBM*

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I have checked my eligibility using the link above and can confirm that I am entitled to FSM.

I have received written confirmation that I am entitled to FSM

I am in the process of applying for FSM

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Please PRINT)**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



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