



**Postponed Sponsored Walk** I am so sorry that our plans today have been scuppered by the weather. We had to take into account the conditions underfoot as well as the forecast for the rest of the day and of course, as soon as we made the decision the sun came out! We will now do the walk on the 12th July come what may.



**KS2 Water Safety** Our KS2 children will be having a water safety workshop next Tuesday afternoon. With summer approaching and the increased temptation to take a dip in local rivers when the weather is hot, this is a timely session to remind the children about staying safe near rivers, the sea and lakes. This coincides with Drowning Prevention Week which is next week.

- 14 Jun - Sponsored Walk
- 18 Jun- Water safety workshop for KS2
- 20 Jun - Parents' meeting for residential 4.30pm
- 25 Jun - New reception starters morning
- 27 Jun - Crucial Crew for Y6

**Y5/6 Residential Parents Meeting** All parents of pupils attending the Y5/6 Residential to Liverpool on 3-5 July are invited to an information meeting on Thursday 20th June at 4.30pm.

**Advice from North Yorkshire about FEAST** We want to ensure that we provide the best possible education here at Darley, supporting pupils to achieve their potential. A healthy meal at lunchtime is an essential part of this.

As you know, families that meet certain criteria (see below) may be eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals. We want to support our families to apply to receive these for free wherever applicable. Alongside free lunch during term time, being registered for benefits-related Free School Meals also entitles your child to [free activities and meals during the Easter, Summer and Christmas holidays through FEAST.](#)

Further, when pupils are registered for benefits-related Free School Meals, our school receives additional funding ('Pupil Premium'), which is pooled and used for extra support and initiatives throughout school. It's vital for everyone that all children who are eligible for Free School Meals are registered as such.

**What do I need to do?** Many families qualify for benefits-related Free School Meals without realising. We would encourage families to apply, even if they have been unsuccessful in the past or if you believe you are not entitled.



You can apply for Free School Meals on the North Yorkshire Council website here: <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals>

Eligibility criteria for benefits-related Free School Meals:

- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods (£616.67 per month)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

Income-related Employment and Support Allowance

Support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

The guarantee element of Pension Credit

Child Tax Credit, provided you are also not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual household gross income that does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by HMRC)

Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

**What if my child receives Universal Infant Free School Meals?** All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive Free School Meals. Because of this, these children are not registered for benefits-related Free School Meals unless the family applies. This means the school does not receive the Pupil Premium for these children, which reduces the amount of support and initiatives we can provide. You may also experience some disruption in receiving Free School Meals when your child moves into Year 3. We would encourage all families with children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who think they may be eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals to apply using the information above.

For more information and support please click [FEAST](#)