



10th March 2021

Free School Meals
Have your circumstances changed?
Check to see if your child is eligible.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you are all keeping well during these difficult times.

With these unprecedented circumstances you may find yourself in a difficult financial situation because of redundancy, reduced hours or ill health.

We would ask you to consider an application for Free School Meals, for children in all year groups as soon as possible, as this may now be appropriate if you are entitled to any of the following benefit:

- Income Support
- Income-based jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Pat V1 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

Reception or key stage 1 (year 1 & 2), children are entitled to 'universal free school meals', however if you register your child could also be entitled to the following:

FREE school meals, FREE school milk, DISCOUNT on school trips and other financial assistance.

Registration is very simple, there are no forms to complete. Telephone the FSM department at County Hall, on 0116 3055417 and have your National Insurance Number handy. You will be told immediately if your child is eligible. Please inform the School office, 0116 2782142 if your child is eligible.

If we can provide any further assistance with this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the School Office.

Yours sincerely

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