

Is Your Child Eligible for Free School Meals?



How do I find out?

If you are a parent or carer, and receive any of the benefits below, then your child is eligible for Free School Meals.

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related 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 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 paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Your child may also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both:

- younger than the <u>compulsory age for starting school</u>
- in full-time education

What to do next?

If your application for Free School Meals is successful, Meadow Farm Primary School will also receive extra funding from the Government to use is support of teaching and learning (Pupil Premium).

- If you would like to apply for Free School Meals, you can:
- Apply online at https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/link2ict
- Ask at reception for details