

30th June 2026

RE: Free School Meals in our Middle Schools

Dear Parent/Carer

As you may be aware, **the government have increased eligibility for Free School Meals**. This is the updated information related to eligibility:

Who is eligible for free school meals?

Children and young people can apply for free school meals if they:

- Attend a Kirklees school
- Attend school full time
- Are of statutory school age

and their parents or carers receive one or more of the following:

- Universal Credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Are in receipt of income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Receive the guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Meet criteria for families with no recourse to public funds

If you feel that you may be newly eligible for Free School Meals, please follow this link to apply directly to Kirklees: [Free school meals | Kirklees Council](#). Full details about the recent changes can also be found here.

For those children already receiving free school meals, we have should have made contact in relation to collecting the relevant information needed by Kirklees so they can undertake a recheck.

Please contact school if you have not been contacted or you have failed to submit the information required. Without this, your child will not get free school meals in September.

If you need any support with applying for free school meals or you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact with your child's school.

Yours sincerely,



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