

Universal Infant Free School Meals

How you can help your school and your child Don't let them miss out on Pupil Premium Funding

From September 2014 ALL infant children, those in reception, year 1 and Year 2, will be entitled to free school meals. However, if your child would have been entitled to free school meals under the old system because you are receiving qualifying benefits, the government will give your school a **Pupil Premium of £1,300.** But for the school and your child to benefit from this money we need to know that you are receiving a qualifying benefit. If you are, please let us know by completing the form below.

- For your child's school to receive the Pupil Premium you must be in receipt of one of the benefits listed below.
- Use this form if your child attends school within Wiltshire, on a full-time basis. If you live in Wiltshire, but your child attends a school in another Local Authority area (e.g. Somerset, Hampshire or Swindon), you should apply via that Local Authority.
- We are now able to check entitlement via a secure government website, which links to your benefit providers. However, if the eligibility checking service (ECS) has not been able to verify your entitlement, we will then need to contact you to ask for evidence to show you are currently in receipt of one of the eligible benefits.
- If you are currently also applying for free school meals for an older brother or sister (in the junior or secondary education), your infant child can be included with them on the standard free school meal application form. In that case you do not need to bother to complete this form.

I confirm that I am currently in receipt of one, or more, of the benefits below. Please tick the box(es) to indicate which benefit(s) you are currently in receipt of. Without this information we cannot process this claim.

Income Support
income-based Job Seekers Allowance (NOT contribution based JSA)
income-related Employment and Support Allowance (NOT contribution based ESA)
support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 - National Asylum Seekers Support (NASS)
the guarantee element of State Pension Credit
Child Tax Credit (you must NOT be entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190 (April 2012)
Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment you receive for a further four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
Universal Credit

If you currently receive Working Tax Credit (other than the 'run-on') you are not eligible to claim.

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