

ST. ANDREW'S CE (VA) JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Did you know...just registering your child for Free School Meals means that the school gets extra money, even if they are on sandwiches? Register now to make sure we don't miss out

The Government is giving money to schools to help children from lower income families. This funding is called the 'Pupil Premium'.

For every child registered, St Andrew's Junior School gets a set amount of money each year. With this money we can purchase vital resources to aid teaching and provide extracurricular activities and trips.

Please register to make sure your child and others in their class don't miss out.

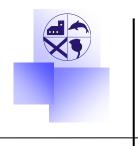
How does it work?

- 1. First, check if you qualify by referring to the list on the back of this page.
- 2. Registering is really quick and easy if you think you qualify just complete the attached form.
- 3. Return your completed form either to the school office or direct to the Benefits Assessment Unit (address at the top of the application form).
- 4. Your child will be eligible for a free, healthy meal at lunchtime, saving you money AND the school will get £1300 extra to help their education.
- 5. If you don't want your child to have a school meal, they can continue to have a packed lunch as long as you qualify and are registered, the school will still get additional funding and your child will benefit.

No one will know you have registered and it will not affect any other benefits you are claiming.

Yours faithfully

Mrs E. Stollery School Business Manager



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Do you qualify?

Free School Meals are available for school children of parents or guardians who receive one of the following:

- Income Support
- Job Seeker's Allowance (income based)
- Employment and Support Allowance (income-related)
- Child Tax Credit, and have an annual income of less than £16,190 (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs)
- Guarantee Credit element of Pension Credit
- Support payments under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Working Tax Credit Run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If you are receiving Working Tax Credit, your child / children are **not** entitled to free school meals.

Come and talk to us if you're not sure or visit <u>www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals</u>