



YOUR CHILD IS ENTITLED TO A UNIVERSAL FREE SCHOOL MEAL

FREE school meal for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

All children in reception, year 1 and year 2, are entitled to a universal free school meal.

We would like parents to encourage their child to participate in a free school meal, providing them with a healthy, appetising and nutritious lunch. Please take a look at the new school dinner menu attached. This will benefit your child by:

- Providing a balanced meal which will help improve concentration and learning in the afternoons.
- Introduce your child to a wide range of foods
- Develop social skills in sitting down at a table together and enjoy a meal

If you are claiming one of the welfare benefits we need your support!

Whilst all children in reception, year 1 and year 2 are eligible for a universal free school meal. Parents who are receiving one of the welfare benefits listed below can also help support the school by signing up for a pupil premium free school meal. This will also help raise extra money for the school, to fund valuable support like extra tuition, additional teaching staff or after school activities and help raise achievement levels.

This money is available from central government for every child whose parent is receiving one of the welfare benefits. It is therefore important to sign up for free school meals so that the school receives as much funding as possible. This will also ensure that whilst you are still in receipt of benefits your child will continue to be entitled to a free meal whilst going through KS2 and you only need to register once.



The relevant support payments include:

- **Income Support (IS) or Employment Support Allowance (IR) (ESA(IR))** Income Based **Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)**
- Support under part VI of the **Immigration and Asylum Act**
- **Child Tax Credit**, provided that Working Tax Credit is not included, and that your 'annual income for Tax Credit purposes' does not exceed a threshold figure.
- The Guarantee element of **State Pension Credit** will be an additional qualifying 'benefit'



You only need to register once - It's quick and easy so register now!

It's really easy to check/register to see if you are entitled to free school meals by registering your details using the following link www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims. If you have any problems using this service please come to the school office for assistance.

**Check out the school lunch menu on our website:
www.abbeywoodsacademy.oxon.sch.uk**