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Application for Free School Meals

Currently, all children in Reception, Years 1 & 2 are automatically eligible for a free school meal. However, regardless of age, all children from Reception through to Year 6 are eligible to apply for income based 'free school meals' status, if they meet the criteria outlined below. Those successful in achieving this often receive reduced costs for school trips and visits through our Pupil Premium Grant.

<u>Parents /carers may be entitled to this additional support if they are in receipt of one of the</u> <u>following</u>:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guaranteed element of State 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 $\pm 16,190$)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit.

In order to claim your free school meal entitlement you must complete an online application via the Swindon Borough Council website:

<u>www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20032/schools_and_education/408/free_school_meals</u> or contact Swindon Borough Council on 01793 445500.







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