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WHAT'S ON YOUR PLATE?

If you're on a qualifying benefit, applying for free school meals makes sense for your child, your finances and your school!



You could be one of thousands of families across South Gloucestershire missing out on saving over £400 each year, per child.

Your child will get a hot, healthy, freshly prepared meal at lunchtime. Their school will have full menu details including dietary requirements.

All children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 get universal infant free school meals so you do not need to apply for them.

However, you need to apply to receive benefits-related free school meals and the extra help they offer, including funded holiday club places in the main school holidays and help towards school uniform and school trips.

Plus, you'll be helping your child's school - they will receive extra funding to improve educational outcomes.

The quickest way to apply is to fill in a free school meal application online.



<https://life.southglos.gov.uk/kb5/southglos/directory/advice.page?id=yp4evwg7Duw>

Qualifying for free school meals will give your child pupil premium status.

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Find out now if your family qualifies for free school meals.



Your child may be able to get free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- Universal Credit (with income of less than £7,400)
- Child Tax credit (income of no more than £16,190)
- Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The 'guaranteed element' of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

For full details of eligibility and to apply online.



Call our Contact Centre on 01454 868008 if you need help to apply or visit your nearest One Stop Shop.

Pupil premium is so much more than just a free school lunch!

Half term supermarket vouchers for your family.



The school receives **extra funding** for every eligible child who is registered

Benefits for your child:

- Extra curricular clubs like gymnastics, karate, swimming and more.
- Music lessons
- Toast at morning playtime from Y1
- Help with school trips
- Uniform help including shoes, coats etc.
- Extra support in class if needed



If your child prefers a packed lunch you can still apply.

