

## Who qualifies for free school meals?

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

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the 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 £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

Children who get any of the above benefits in their own right (i.e. they get benefits payments directly, instead of through a parent or guardian) can also get free school meals.

To apply please download an application form from: [www.n-somerset.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/schoolmeals) or speak to a member of the Office team.

All enquires are handled sensitively and confidentially. The process can be quick with online applications.

## Contact Details

### School Meals

#### North Somerset County Council

Email: FSM@n-somerset.gov.uk

[www.n-somerset.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/schoolmeals)

### Useful Websites:

School Food Plan

[www.schoolfoodplan.com/](http://www.schoolfoodplan.com/)

Food for Life Partnership

[www.foodforlife.org.uk](http://www.foodforlife.org.uk)

Change4Life

[www.nhs.uk/change4life](http://www.nhs.uk/change4life)

British Nutrition Foundation

[www.nutrition.org.uk](http://www.nutrition.org.uk)

Food a fact of life

[www.foodafactoflife.org.uk](http://www.foodafactoflife.org.uk)

## St Anne's Church of England VA Primary School

### Pupil Premium Information for Families



Every child in Reception, Year One and Year Two is offered a free school meal, known as a Universal Free School Meal. If your family is entitled to free school meals we would still like you to apply for them as the Pupil Premium Grant is a fund awarded to schools to raise the attainment of disadvantaged children.

To find out if you are eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant please read this leaflet or ask in the Office.

## Healthy Eating

Over the last few years the quality of school food has improved dramatically. The food served at St Anne's Hewish and West Wick is cooked fresh, each day, at the West Wick campus. This means all pupils are welcome to stay and enjoy an award winning, nutritious, hot meal with their friends at lunch time.

Research shows that pupils are more likely to concentrate in lessons if they have eaten a nutritionally balanced meal at lunchtime. By choosing school lunches, not only will you be saving yourself the time and hassle of preparing a packed lunch every day, you can also be sure that your child is getting the range and amount of food that will help contribute to their health and well-being.

If your child has a medical need for a special diet, please inform the school. There is no extra charge, but there is specific Edwards & Ward paperwork which needs to be completed. Please speak to somebody in the office about this.



## Pupil Premium – Extra Funding for Schools

If you think you are entitled to a free school meal, it is essential you apply, because:

- Funding is granted to schools, based on the number of their pupils who are entitled to receive these free meals. For every pupil entitled to claim free school meals as a benefit, the school receives £1,320. This money is used in a variety of creative and innovative ways to help support individual pupils and the whole school community.
- The government need to know how many children are entitled to claim free school meals as a state benefit.

The school receives extra money for:

- Children eligible for free school meals currently or during the past six years
- Children with parents in the armed forces
- Children in care and adopted children

It's really important that if your child is ever eligible for free school meals

(however briefly) you should claim. For each eligible child, the school receives funding for the next six years, even if their parents go back to full-time well paid work!



Have a look on our website for more information about examples of how we have spent our Pupil Premium in the past.

<http://www.stannesprimaryschool.co.uk/category/pupil-premium/>

Please ask for more information from the Office.

