

Stockton Wood Primary School

Important announcement - Infant Free School Meals

There are **two** free school meal schemes :

1. **Universal** infant free school meals
2. **Income related** free school meals.

Universal infant free school meals

If your child attends a state funded infant school and is in reception class, year 1 or year 2 and you do not receive any benefits they are now entitled to free school meals. This could save you almost £400 a year for each child you have in key stage 1.

How to apply

Please complete the slip below and return to school.

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I would like my child to receive a universal infant free school meal.

Pupil name: _____ Class: _____

Parent signature: _____

Income related free school meals

Parents who **do** receive a benefit (see below) should make a **formal application** as this will allow the school to claim additional funding (pupil premium) for new equipment and resources.

How to claim:

Visit the Liverpool City Council website -

<http://liverpool.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/grants-and-funding/free-school-meals/> and follow the instructions and guidance.

Benefits include:

- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- Income related Employment Support Allowance.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit - as long as you have a yearly household income of less than £16,190 (as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs) and **do not** get Working Tax Credit.
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).
- Universal Credit.

If you receive Housing Benefit or Council Tax Support there is no need to complete the form - just contact Liverpool City Council, <http://liverpool.gov.uk/contact-us/general-enquiries/council-tax-and-housing-benefits-advice/> and they will update your details to include free school meals.

We can help you! Call into school and we can help you access and complete the form on line!

S.E.Stacey Head teacher