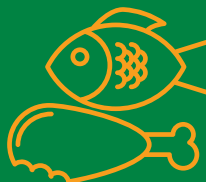
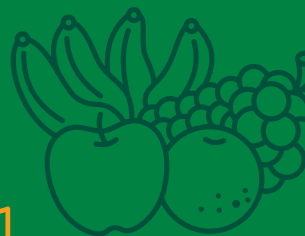


Free school meals are a good way to ensure that your child eats well at lunchtime.



Your child will qualify for free school meals if they're in full-time education and you receive one of the following benefits:

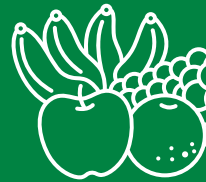
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Guarantee element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit with no working tax credit and have an income as assessed by the Inland Revenue that does not exceed £16,190 (subject to change annually)
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you receive)



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To find out more information on free school meals, the qualifying criteria and how to apply, please visit our website at www.barnsley.gov.uk/free-school-meals or call (01226) 787787 (select option 3).

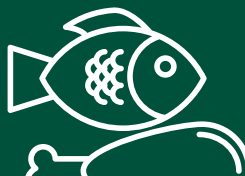
Did you know?



- Families who are currently paying for school meals could save around £400 a year for each child if they qualify and are entitled to free school meals.
- School children who qualify for free school meals are entitled to a two-course meal worth approximately £2.20 (depending on the school) each day.
- If your child is in receipt of universal infant free school meals (where your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2), we recommend you apply if you believe you may be eligible for free school meals. The free school meals protection will continue beyond Year 2.
- Secondary school children who are entitled to free school meals might also qualify for help with school transport costs.
- When you apply for free school meals, you will also allow your child's school to receive Pupil Premium, which is extra money to support children at that school.



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