

# ABBOTS FARM INFANT SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers.

# Apply for Free School Meals... it's quick and easy using the online form at:

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals

At Abbots Farm Infant School, all children are entitled to a free, healthy school meal every day thanks to the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) initiative – no need to apply for this!

However, if your family receives certain benefits, applying for Free School Meals (FSM) can unlock extra support for your child and our school – and you still need to apply to access this funding.

## Why apply if meals are already free?

By registering for FSM, your child could benefit from:

- Reduced costs for school trips
  - Access to school clubs and activities
- S Extra learning support
- Additional funding for our school through *Pupil Premium*, which helps us provide even more resources and opportunities for your child

Even if your child doesn't eat the free meal, just registering means our school receives extra money to support their learning and wellbeing.

And don't worry – it's completely confidential and won't affect any other benefits you receive.

If you'd like to talk to someone about this, please speak to a member of our Admin Team or email us at admin2410@welearn365.com – we're here to help and everything will be kept private.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Lovejoy Head Teacher

#### Do you qualify?

Your child will be eligible for Free School Meals if you get any of these benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Universal Credit your household income must be less than £7,400 a year after tax and not including any benefits you get (this is the equivalent to your work-related take home pay being less than £616.67 per month at the time of application). The Department for Education have announced that from the start of the 2026 school year, every child whose household is on Universal Credit will be entitled to free school meals, regardless of any other earned income

### Providing free school meals to families with no recourse to public funds (NRPF)

FSM eligibility has been permanently extended to children in households with no recourse to public funds (NRPF). If you are a family with NRPF, please fill out the application form below by following the link below and email it to freemeals@warwickshire.gov.uk.

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals/2

#### How does it work?

Checking whether you qualify and registering is really quick and easy – do it online at: <a href="https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals">https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals</a>

Whether your child eats the free meal or not, **registering helps our school** and supports your child's education.