

## Free School Meal Entitlement

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

- 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 guaranteed element of 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 - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they will remain eligible until they finish the phase of schooling (primary or secondary) they are in on 31 March 2022

### Infant free school meals in England

Your child will be able to get free school meals if they are in:

- reception
- year 1
- year 2

However, it is really important to also apply for free school meals even if your child is in reception, year 1 or year 2, as the school will receive significant additional pupil premium funding to help your child.

### How to Apply

Application forms can be obtained by:

- Contacting the Educational Benefits Team who can complete an application form over the telephone on 01642 774774;
- Completing the Free School Meals application form, which can be downloaded from the Redcar and Cleveland Council website;
- Visiting Customer Services at Redcar & Cleveland House, Kirkleatham Street, Redcar, Low Grange District Centre, Normanby Road, Southbank or Belmont House, Rectory Lane, Guisborough;
- Emailing: [educationalbenefits@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk](mailto:educationalbenefits@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk);

Completed application forms can either be returned to your child's school, emailing to [educationalbenefits@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk](mailto:educationalbenefits@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk) or posting to -

Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council, Department of Corporate Resources,

Educational Benefits, Redcar & Cleveland House, Kirkleatham Street

Redcar, Yorkshire, TS10 1RT