



# Coleham Primary School

*For every child, an Excellent Education*

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

## **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

We want to make sure that we are providing your child with the best education and support we can. Healthy school food has obvious health benefits and can help pupils establish healthy habits for life. Healthy school food can also help to improve pupils' readiness to learn. Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Your child is eligible for free school meals if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

Registering for Free School Meals could also raise an extra £1,320 for your child's primary school to fund valuable support like extra tuition, additional teaching staff or after school activities. This additional money is available from central government for every child whose parent is receiving one of the benefits listed above. To check if your child is eligible, we need information about you and your child. Please complete the attached form and return to the School Office by **11 January 2019**. Further copies of the form can be found in the carousel in the main school reception area. Alternatively, you can visit Shropshire Council's website - by clicking on the link below - and apply online.

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals/>

Yours sincerely,

Jane Hilbert  
Administration Manager