



# Ysgol Gynradd Llanidloes Primary School

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Dear Parent / Carer

From September 2022 children in Reception will automatically get free school meals.

By 2024 all primary school children in state schools in Wales will get free school meals.

Please ensure that you activate your ParentPay account according to the instructions in the letter that will be sent home with your child from Thursday 15 September, as this will also register your child to receive a meal in school at lunchtimes from this September.

If you are on a low income, or are on any of the benefits outlined below, you should register for a free school meal through the Local Authority as you may be entitled to grants for items such as school uniform and PE kits.

Qualifying benefits include:

- 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 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 - 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 get)

If you register, we may also get additional money which can be spent on supporting learning in our school.

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

## How to register

If you are in receipt of any of the benefits listed above, you can register for free school meals by completing the form on the following Powys County Council webpage:

<https://en.powys.gov.uk/article/11906/Free-school-meals>

If you have an older child in primary school who already receives a free school meal, they will continue to do so.

If you have any queries regarding universal primary free school meals, you can also contact [ufsm@powys.gov.uk](mailto:ufsm@powys.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely  
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