

Free School Meals

If you want to apply for free school meals for your child or children, please read the following.

1. Make sure that you receive one of the following.
 - a. **Income Support**
 - b. **Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance**
 - c. **Child Tax Credit (With an annual income not exceeding £16,190)**
 - d. **Guaranteed Pension Credit**
 - e. **Employment and Support Allowance (income related)**
2. Those families who receive Working Tax Credit do not qualify.
3. Please fill in the free school meal details (overleaf) showing the school your child or children are attending now. Only one form is needed for each family. Foster carers may apply, please ring 01443 680363 for further details.
4. If you are claiming **Child Tax Credit**, you must send us your **Child Tax Credit Award Notice (TC602)** HMRC gave you.

Please send the completed application form to the Benefits Section at:

Bronwydd House
 Porth CF39 9DL.
 Phone: 01443 425002
 Fax: 01443 680661

Alternatively, if you are in receipt of Housing Benefit or Council Tax Reduction you may be able to make a telephone application by contacting **01443 680363**. There is also an on-line application which can be found on the RCT website.

(Only parents who receive Income Support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Guaranteed Pension Credit, Employment and Support Allowance (income related) or Child Tax Credit are eligible. Families who receive Working Tax Credit **do not** qualify.)

Part 1: Your details

Applicant		Applicant's partner	
Surname			
First name			
Date of birth	/ /	/ /	/ /
Address and postcode			
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..... Phone number:			
National Insurance number			

Part 2: All dependant children

Surname	First name	Date of birth	Name of School
		
		
		
		
		
		

Part 3: Declaration of income

Benefit	Amount	Start date
Income Support / Guaranteed Credit/ESA		/ /
Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance		/ /

Part 4: Declaration of Child Tax Credit (families who receive Working Tax Credit do not qualify)

Child Tax Credit		
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Declaration

1. I declare that the information provided on this form is accurate.
2. I will tell the Council **immediately** if I have any change in my circumstances: and
3. I agree that the Council will use the information I have provided to process my claim for free school meals and will contact other sources as allowed by the law to verify my initial and ongoing entitlement.
4. I understand that the results of any free school meals eligibility check may also be used to assess my entitlement to receive additional benefits e.g. uniform grant.

Your signature Date

If you do not sign this form, we will return the form to you and your application will be delayed.