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Free School Meals Information

Dear Parents,

Free School Meals Online Portal

Parents/Carers can now apply for Free School Meals online.

In May 2016, Gloucestershire County Council's Access to Learning Team launched a new online portal that enables parents/carers to apply for Free School Meals across the county.

The portal is a quick, easy and more efficient method for parents/carers compared to the traditional paper based system. It should also make the process easier for schools as it will no longer be necessary for them to print, fax or scan paper forms as they have done in the past.

For more information and to make an application visit www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals. If a child is in Year 3 and above they may be entitled and parents/carers could save up to £437 per year. They should use the online portal to check to see if they are eligible. Please encourage parents/carers of children that already receive Universal Infant Free School Meals to apply. The child's school may also be able to access extra funding.

If you have any queries, regarding this or the process of applying, please contact by email on pupilbenefits@gloucestershire.gov.uk or telephone the Free School Meals team on 01452 425390 who will be happy to help.

