

## Do you qualify for free school meals?

- If you receive the following you do not have to pay for your children's school lunches:
  - 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 'Guarantee' element of State Pension Credit
  - Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190
  
- Parents that receive working tax credit are **not** entitled to claim free school meals for their children.
  
- A child over the age of 16 in receipt of any of these qualifying benefits in their own right is also eligible to receive free school meals.

### Do you have any questions?

Speak to Mrs D Edwards at school or contact Wrexham Support Services on 01978 297413.

Download a free school meal form:

[http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/assets/pdfs/education/free\\_schoolmeals.pdf](http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/assets/pdfs/education/free_schoolmeals.pdf)

Free School Meal forms are also available from your schools reception

Further information can be found at:

[http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/english/education/school\\_meals/free\\_school\\_meals.htm](http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/english/education/school_meals/free_school_meals.htm)



# Why choose school dinners?

Our catering team work hard to ensure that they provide a menu that pupils will enjoy eating while delivering nutritious and balanced meals to encourage healthy eating habits for the future.

Fully trained and qualified friendly catering staff

3 weekly cycle menu offering a varied choice of meal options

Great value for money

Special dietary needs can be catered for – just ask at school

Vegetarian choices available every day

Packed lunches are also available from our catering team on request

Don't forget our complete menu range is available for children eligible for free school meals.

**Anonymous Pupils –**

*Did you know that in Wrexham schools, pupils pay for school dinner anonymously – no money is ever exchanged at lunch time regardless of how they pay. This means that Free School Meal pupils cannot be distinguished from paying pupils, reducing any stigma that may be attached to receiving Free School Meals.*

Did you know – that children eating a healthy balanced meal will have improved concentration levels, while providing essential nutrients to help with all of their growing bodies needs

Did you know – All school meals comply with strict legislation by the Welsh Government to ensure we provide nutritionally balanced choices.