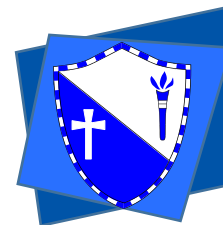


St Mary's Farnham Royal Church of England Primary School



We aspire to grow as a community through FAITH as a FAMILY.
Thriving for all our FUTURES enabling us to FLOURISH

School Dinners

Monday 5th September 2022

As advertised in our July Newsletter, please be aware that due the rise in the cost from our providers, school dinners will be £2.50 from September 2022. Further information about hot meals, including menus can be found on our school website <https://www.stmarysfarnhamroyal.org/hot-meals/>

How can you claim a free hot meal for your child?

Children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2

- These children are entitled to free hot lunches (universal free school meals) – Children simply need to request a hot meal when asked each morning during register. The office will not charge based on their age
- In addition, some Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 children are eligible for Pupil Premium. Applying for this even if you do not wish to claim a free meal, **means the school receives additional funding** something we very much need. If you think that you may be eligible (see criteria in green box below) please see the information on our website or speak to a member of the office team <https://www.stmarysfarnhamroyal.org/hot-meals/>

Children in Nursery, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6

- These children are entitled to free school meals & Pupil Premium if the family meets the criteria in the green box below. Applying for this even if you do not wish to claim a free meal, **means the school receives additional funding** something we very much need. If you think that you may be eligible please see the information on our website or speak to a member of the office team <https://www.stmarysfarnhamroyal.org/hot-meals/>

CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS/CARERS RECEIVE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS ARE ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND WILL GENERATE PUPIL PREMIUM FOR THEIR SCHOOL:

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| ✓ Income Support (IS) | ✓ Universal Credit |
| ✓ Income-based (not contribution-based) Job Seeker's Allowance (IBJSA) | ✓ Child Tax Credit except if you meet ANY of the following criteria - |
| ✓ The guaranteed element of the State Pension Credit . | i) entitled to working tax credit (regardless of income) |
| ✓ Income-related employment and support allowance | ii) have an annual income in excess of £16,190 (Please note that this figure is for April 2017 and that it can change each year). |
| ✓ Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 | <i>Where a parent is entitled to Working Tax Credit during the four-week period immediately after their employment ceases, or after they start to work less than 16 hours per week, their children are entitled to free school meals.</i> |
- Children who receive IS or IBJSA in their own right are also entitled to receive free school meals.*
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Packed Lunches

Packed Lunches should be healthy:

- No foods containing nuts (including chocolate spread & peanut butter)
- No chocolate, other than biscuit based chocolate snacks
- No sweets or high sugar foods
- All children should have a packed lunch drink.
- Left overs will be returned home in the lunch box so parents can see how much has been eaten

All children are welcome to choose on a daily basis whether they wish to have a hot meal or packed lunch. They will be asked each morning during registration at 9am. Unfortunately, if children are late and miss registration at 9am, they may miss the daily order and it may not be possible to provide them with a hot meal. In these circumstances please check with the office who order the hot meals each morning.

For family support with the cost of living please email psl@smfr.co.uk or visit our pastoral support page on our website <https://st-marys-farnham-royal-ce-primary.secure-primariesite.net/pastoral-support-at-smfr-1/>

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