

Highbury Primary School and Nursery

'Valued as Individuals, Inspired and Nurtured as Learners'



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Dear Parents and Carers of our new Reception classes

Please see below details of how you may be able to apply for free school meals for your child who is starting school in September. If you are entitled to any of the benefits below then you can apply now at Portsmouth City Council's website.

Overleaf is a list of some of the other opportunities and benefits you can receive as a family who are entitled to free school meals. There may also be other opportunities throughout the year to take part in workshops and activities. Please take note of the application deadlines for vouchers.

Portsmouth City Council Website – Schools, learning and Childcare

Do you receive any of the following benefits? – APPLY NOW

<https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/schools/school-meals/>

Parent/carers of children who are entitled to any of the following benefits are entitled to free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit only, provided your annual household income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) does not exceed £16,190. Anyone entitled to Working Tax Credits not entitled to free meals regardless of income
- Working Tax Credit run-on-paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit, if your earned income was £616.67 or less in your last monthly assessment period, or less than an average of £616.67 a month over the last 2 or 3 monthly assessment periods.

If you have any questions or would like any support with your application, please contact the school office.

Kind Regards
Mrs J. James
Deputy Headteacher

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