



Universal Free School Meals

**All pupils in Early Years and Key Stage 1
(Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2)
are entitled to Universal Free School Meals.**

This Universal Free Meals policy from the government is intended to:

- Increase the number of pupils who eat a tasty nutritious lunch
- Help pupils to develop positive eating habits
- Improve pupils' health, attainment and behaviour through better nutrition and socialisation
- Ease pressure on family budgets
- Support the economic viability of school meals

We would like to encourage you to take advantage of this scheme by ordering meals from our school caterer and, whilst we appreciate that some children can be particular in what they eat or have special dietary needs, we strongly believe that lunchtime is an important part of the school day and an important part of your child's education.

If your child has special dietary needs, these can be catered for by Class Catering, our catering provider. Please email office@lickeyendfirstschool.co.uk to request a form to complete. It is important to the school that allergies and special diets do not preclude a pupil from being part of the lunchtime experience.

If you qualify for free school meals due to being in receipt of the appropriate benefits, please email office@lickeyendfirstschool.co.uk to request an application form.