



Dear Parents and Carers,

## Free School Meals

We would like to give you some information about Free School Meals, so that you are able to see whether your child could qualify to receive these.

Your child may be able to receive free school meals if you get any of the following:

- ❖ 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 guaranteed element of Pension Credit.
- ❖ Child Tax Credit (provided that you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190).
- ❖ Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.
- ❖ Universal Credit – if you apply on or after 1 April 2018, your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or carer, can also receive Free School Meals.

As a school, we offer guidance and support with the local application process. Please visit our school website – [www.allsaintscatholiccollege.com](http://www.allsaintscatholiccollege.com), then click on the 'Parents' tab, followed by 'Free School Meals' and then 'Application Form: Free School Meals'. You will be taken to the online application form which is administered by Tameside MBC. If you would like any assistance with the process, please telephone us on 0161 338 2120 and ask to speak to Joanne Keogh, our Pastoral Administrator.



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Further information can also be found via the following Government link - [Apply for free school meals - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk) This includes details of the Holiday Activity and Food Programme, which your child will qualify for if they are eligible for Free School Meals. Information is also provided regarding the Household Support Fund, through which food vouchers may be available – you can find out more about this by contacting Tameside MBC on 0161 342 3708, or by visiting [www.tameside.gov.uk/benefits](http://www.tameside.gov.uk/benefits)

If you have any questions regarding this, please let us know.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N Gilligan', written in a cursive style.

Ms N Gilligan  
Headteacher