

WE NEED FUNDING!

We rely on funding from the Local Authority, the region and the Welsh Government. One area you might be able to help is enabling us to access Pupil Deprivation Grant (PDG) funding. This funding is available to schools for children who qualify for free school meals via the eligibility criteria.

If you are eligible to receive free school meals it is very important that you apply. This registers the school for additional grant funding from Welsh Government.

If you don't apply, we will miss out on funding which could go towards equipment, resources, targeted support programmes or ICT enhancements.

If your child prefers to take a packed lunch or make other arrangements, it is still important to register for free school meals for us to receive the additional funding.

This year the additional funding is worth £1150 for each child that qualifies.

Your child may be eligible for free school meals if you are in receipt of any of the following benefits/support payments:

- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and your annual income does not exceed £16,190
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

You can access the application form and further information from our website:

www.wrexham.gov.uk

Forms are also available from our Contact Centre on Lord Street.

If you are already in receipt of Housing Benefit or Council Tax Benefit from WCBC you can call the Support Services section on 01978 297413 to discuss your eligibility for free school meals.

Please note that if you have a current claim for Free School Meals and have had no changes in your circumstances then this claim will continue. You do not need to reapply.

For any information regarding entitlement/claims to these benefit payments, please contact the Council's Welfare Rights Unit
01978 298255, welfarerights@wrexham.gov.uk

