

22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026

## Action Required Free School Meals: Please Apply or Renew by Friday 17 July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Schools are now required to check eligibility for Free School Meals (FSM) each year. If eligibility is not reviewed and confirmed, your child's free school meal entitlement may be withdrawn. To ensure support continues without interruption, we strongly encourage all parents and carers to complete a new application or renew their existing application by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026. Applications are quick, simple, confidential, and can be completed online.

Please click the link to renew your application

[Online FSM Application](#)

### New from September 2026 – Universal Credit Households

From September 2026, the government is expanding eligibility for Free School Meals. Children in households receiving Universal Credit may now qualify. This could mean a saving of approx. £495 per year per child on school lunches.

We recognise that this will make a meaningful difference to many households and help ensure that students are well supported each day.

In the spirit of ensuring that all families access the support available to them, we strongly encourage you to check your eligibility and apply if appropriate.

Please click the link to apply

[Online FSM Application](#)

You will need to provide some basic details, including your National Insurance number or National Asylum Support Service (NASS) number.

If you require support with your application, please contact the school office on [b.lowndesmarsh@bournville.fmat.co.uk](mailto:b.lowndesmarsh@bournville.fmat.co.uk) and we will be happy to help.

### Families with No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF)

Applications may still be considered under the government's FSM protections. Applying for Free School Meals will not affect your immigration status.

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Thank you for your support in ensuring that all eligible children receive the assistance available to them.



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