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### Universal Free School Meals Reception to Year 2

Dear Parents/ Carers,

3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023

As you may already know every pupil in Reception, Year One and Two is eligible for free school meals through the Government's 'Universal Free School Meals' initiative, and this will continue for the next academic year.

We would also ask any parents of children already on Free School Meals, or those who feel that they are eligible for Free School Meals, to apply, or continue to apply to Northumberland County Council. By doing this it will enable school to continue to receive extra funding through pupil premium which directly benefits these pupils, in the form of free school milk, subsidised school trips, after school clubs and residential visits.

We believe that lunchtime at school is a great opportunity for all of our children to sit down together, enjoy a healthy and tasty meal, whilst developing social skills. We therefore hope that all parents of Reception, Year one and Year Two will take part in this initiative.

We ask that ALL NEW RECEPTION PARENTS complete the attached school meals slip.

You are very welcome to provide your child with a packed lunch, but please note that funding is not transferrable.

Please complete the form below by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

Kind regards,  
Belinda Athey  
Headteacher.

To Whittingham C of E Primary School

I do/do not wish (delete as applicable) my child..... (Name)  
to have a school meal as part of the Government's Free School Meal Initiative for Reception,  
Year One and Year Two children, and I will provide them with a packed lunch.

My child is already in receipt of Free School Meals.



I will be applying for Free School Meals through Northumberland County Council  
for my child who is starting Reception in September 2022.



**Headteacher: Mrs Belinda Athey**









