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Dear Parents/Carers,

Could your child qualify for free school meals?

We want to make sure families at Bilton C of E Junior School receive the support available to them. **From September 2026, children in households receiving Universal Credit can qualify for free school meals regardless of household earnings.** If you were previously turned down because your earnings were too high, please check again.

Children may also qualify if their family receives income-related Employment and Support Allowance, the guarantee element of Pension Credit, or support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999. Some families with no recourse to public funds may also be eligible and should seek advice from Warwickshire.

Why apply?

Free school meals provide your child with a school lunch each day, helping reduce your family's food costs. Families who meet Warwickshire's *targeted* eligibility criteria may also qualify for the Holiday Activities and Food programme, and their application can bring additional Pupil Premium funding into school to support children's learning. These additional benefits do not apply to every family receiving Universal Credit.

How do I apply?

Visit [Warwickshire's free school meals application page](#) to check eligibility and apply online.

Once approved, eligibility lasts for the whole school year. Warwickshire then automatically checks eligibility before the next school year and lets families know the outcome.

Need some help?

Please speak to the school office if you would like help finding the information. You can also contact Warwickshire's Family Information Service on **0800 408 1558** or email freemeals@warwickshire.gov.uk for support with your application.

Please do check-you may now qualify even if you have not been eligible before.

Mrs Nicky Brown

Head of School



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NEW FROM SEPTEMBER 2026



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**Other families may qualify too**

Some other benefits and circumstances also qualify. Check Warwickshire's guidance.

**More support may be available**

Families meeting the targeted eligibility criteria may also access holiday activities and food, and bring extra Pupil Premium funding into school.

**CHECK & APPLY ONLINE**

warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals

**Need help applying?**

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Please check – you may be eligible now!

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