

Free School Meals Service Helping Your Pupils

Autumn Term Newsletter for Schools and Academies



Included:

- October 2018 Census report dates
- Reminder of our service
- Contact details for schools



Walsall Council



Schools can
phone on our
dedicated number:
01922 650443

October 2018 Census

Full Free School Meals reports will be available on School2School
Tuesday 2nd October 2018.

Other reports to help your School or Academy

These show children added or taken off during a period:

- Weekly (usually a Monday) reports showing added on children from the previous week
- After a holiday (usually on the first day school starts again), this covers all children added during the school holiday period

Full Reports:

These are provided showing all the children eligible at that point in time:

- After school holidays
- Before school census days

Early Years Pupil Premium

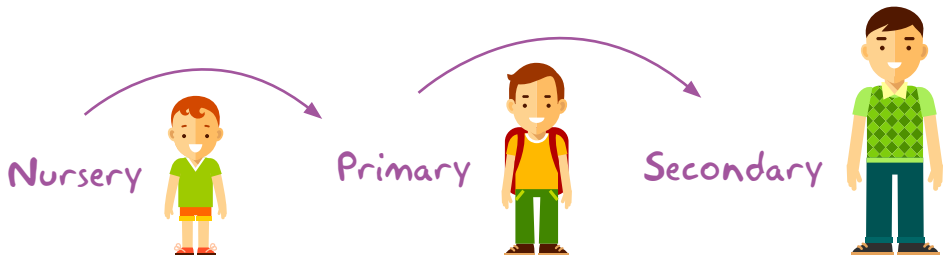
Early Years reports will be available for schools informing them as to which children are eligible on School2School Friday **19th October 2018.**

Online application process available

Parents can apply for FSMs online if they want to and we welcome schools and academies adding the web-link to their own parent information web pages at **cms.walsall.gov.uk/free_school_meals**

Reminder of our service

- Fast checking of details
- Siblings automatically awarded if a child is already registered at same address and eligibility still exists
- Dedicated phone and email lines ensuring prompt response to enquiries
- Parents can also ask us questions face-to-face at the Civic Centre
- Admissions website has a direct link to our application system
- Digital application process for those who want to apply this way
- Checks of benefit data to ensure new children are added to the scheme
- Automatic transfer of all currently registered children on to their next school if it is within the Walsall Borough and administered by Walsall Council



- Secure email address (FreeSchoolMeals@walsall.gov.uk) for all FSM password protected enquiry forms. We aim to reply within 48 hours
- We are continuing to award around 87% of eligible children without the need to complete a FSM registration form as we already have enough information to 'passport' them through

Contact us



Telephone **01922 650 443** and speak to the FSM Team.



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View our web page



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