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Why aren't you taking up your free school meal?

Nationally and regionally, between **20-25%** of eligible children do **not** take up their entitlement to both the UIFSM KS1 (Universal Infant Free School Meals) and the FSM (Free School Meals) schemes.

FM Catering are looking to work in partnership with schools and academy trusts to address this shortfall and improve uptake levels. The initial step will be to do a joint survey of the school's parents to identify the reasons why they are not taking up the school meals, and then FM Catering will develop and agree a bespoke action plan with the school designed to increase meal uptake.



BENEFITS OF A SCHOOL MEAL

- ✔ Improves overall health and learning outcomes
- ✔ Nutritious, freshly prepared food with hot and cold options
- ✔ Promotes healthy food choices and food education
- ✔ Provides hot choices on cold days and cold choices on hot days!
- ✔ Theme days to support curriculum activities and calendar events
- ✔ Families save approximately £37 per month in total on food spending. (based on a household with two adults and two primary-aged children) *
- ✔ Religious, medical and food allergen diets are catered for
- ✔ Pupils wanting a packed lunch (FM can provide packed lunch choices with the 'select and fill your packed lunch' option)

Scan the QR code to let us know your thoughts on school meals



* Click here to find out more on the benefits of UIFSM schemes