

Free Meals

Between April and November 2020, an additional 3,566 families across Derbyshire became eligible for free school meals. Could free school meals help your family?

Over 80% of all parents register for pupil premium funding and free school meals. To ensure families do not miss out, we regularly check if parents have become eligible. Register now and let us check if you are entitled, it could save you over £400 a year per child.

Applying is quick, easy and confidential, please contact us:

Online: www.derbyshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

Email: checking@derbyshire.gov.uk
Phone: 01629 536400 or 01629 535743

Form: paper forms are available from school.

Comments/Customer Feedback

We welcome all enquiries and feedback on our service. If you would like to contact us we can be reached in a number of ways:

Email: catering@derbyshire.gov.uk

Phone: 01629 536704

Post: Derbyshire Catering Service,

Chatsworth Hall, Block C, Matlock, DE4 3FW

Please note, we have now moved from Block B to Block C.

Visit our website to find out our latest good news stories and menus.

www.myschoollunch.co.uk/derbyshire

Competition Terms and Conditions

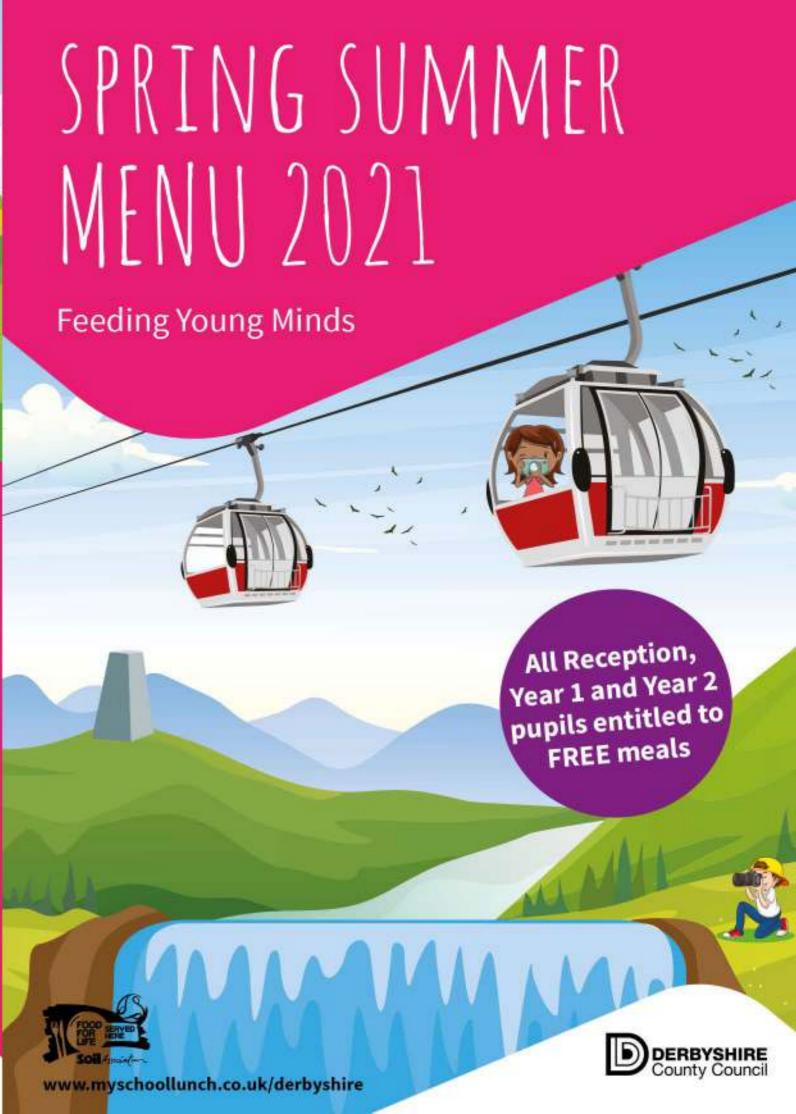
*This competition is free to enter, one-entry per household, winners will be selected by the team Nutritionist based on nutritional value and appeal to children. Winners will be contacted by 17th September 2021 via the e-mail address provided.

Gulliver's Kingdom Theme Park ticket is valid for a family of 6, groups must include at least one adult and one child, ticket valid for visit dates until 31st October 2021. Should Covid-19 restrictions prevent the opening of the park the validity date will be extended. For full T&Cs visit: https://www.gulliverskingdomresort.co.uk/terms-and-conditions

Activity vouchers will be awarded to second and third place entries, vouchers will be redeemable at a leisure centre local to the winners. Activities available will vary due leisure centre facilities. Full T&Cs will be provided with the voucher to winning entrants.

For full competition rules visit: https:// www.derbyshire.gov.uk/ourwebsite/competition-rules/ competition-rules.aspx





Coming together in crisis

We would like to take this opportunity to thank parents, carers, school workers and our catering staff for coming together over the past year to ensure that children, whether in school or out, enjoyed a nutritious lunch.

From March 2020 to January 2021, Derbyshire Catering Service has delivered over 18,000 Food Parcels to the primary schools we serve. Each individual parcel was put together in school kitchens by our staff whilst they were also preparing lunch for those children in school. It has been our priority throughout the pandemic to provide healthy and balanced meals for everyone in need.

Over the past year parents/carers have been creating school meals at home and to celebrate this we are launching the 'Healthy from Home' competition. We are asking

you to send us images of the healthy meals you have been serving out of your own kitchen. The winner will be selected by our team Nutritionist and will receive a 'Family Ticket' for a day of fantastic fun at Gulliver's Kingdom Theme Park, Matlock Bath. Runner up prizes will include activity vouchers to be redeemed at your local leisure centre.* To enter, please e-mail a picture of one healthy lunch you have created at home, including your child's school and your own name to: catering@derbyshire.gov.uk by 10th September 2021.





Our Food - Hot, Healthy and balanced



All meals that Derbyshire Catering Service serve at primary schools are accredited with the Soil Association "Food for Life Served Here" Silver or Gold award and exceed Government School Food Standards. This means that:

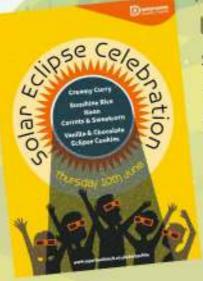
- · All of our meat is British and Farm assured.
- · Fish served is always MSC certified.
- The eggs we use are all from free range hens.
- Meals are cooked fresh on school site (or hub kitchen) daily.
- There are no additives or artificial trans fats in our meals.
- We use local, seasonal and organic produce.

Cater for all

We pride ourselves on our ability to cater for all diets including vegetarian, vegan and specific medical diets. Our team Nutritionist works daily with schools and suppliers to ensure that we offer tasty and nutritionally balanced meals for all children.



Fun



Alongside the nutritional benefit we believe that the lunch time experience should be a highlight of the school day. It is time for children to sit with friends and enjoy either a classic comforting dish or explore different flavours with exciting new foods.

Our monthly theme days create a buzz around school. We aim to encourage children to see how food can be fun and want to learn more about food. Look out for them throughout the year.



We endeavour to serve food as specified on the menu, however there are some circumstances when this isn't possible. You can be assured that these instances will be kept to an absolute minimum.

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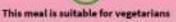














For those children with medical diet requirements, we offer a tailored menu. Please contact Katie Woods 01629 536702 or catering@derbyshire.gov.uk for more information.







Marine Stewardship Council compliant

Theme Days**

Our new Theme days for the Spring Summer menu, let's get excited about food!







