

# Puddletown Church of England First School

We care enough to try our best in all we do because we are wonderfully made: made to love, made to flourish, made to be unique

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13<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

## Universal Infant Free School Meals

As you may be aware the government introduced this initiative a few years ago whereby all children in Reception and Key Stage 1 are entitled to a free hot school meal.

We are very lucky at the school to offer a hot meal service which is managed by our kitchen staff Mrs Miles & Miss Kellaway. Each year the government calculate how much funds will be paid to each school and this is based on meal take up on key dates throughout the year. The next date in this academic year is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October. These funds are vital to continue to run the meal service as it currently operates and we are therefore requesting that all children in Class R and Years 1 & 2 have a meal ordered for them on this day. Even if your child would like a packed lunch on this day a meal ordered will support the amount of funding which the school will receive or perhaps it would offer an opportunity for your child to try the hot meals available. Thank you to those that have previously ordered and continue to use the service.

In order to register your child for hot school meals please go to the Local Food Links website:-

[www.my.localfoodlinks.org.uk](http://www.my.localfoodlinks.org.uk)

**The deadline for ordering a meal for Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October is Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September. All orders must be registered by this date please.**

If you do not have access to a computer please contact the school office where we will be happy to register your child for the hot school meal service.

Thank you for your assistance. Any queries, please contact the office on 01305 848206.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Ayres-Turner  
Senior Finance Officer