



Free School Meals
Eligibility Checker

FSM guide for parents at a non LGfL school



The website is <https://pps.lgfl.org.uk>

Click on "check eligibility"

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Help obtain government funding for your child's school!

Did you know the government gives additional funding to schools for those children entitled to free school meals?

Schools use this money to obtain additional staff and resources that help improve the quality of education.

To find out whether your child qualifies for free school meals, and hence whether their school would receive additional funding, please fill in the details requested on this site.

In addition, the following pupils will be protected against losing their free school meals as follows:

- From 1 April 2018, all existing free school meals claimants will continue to receive free school meals whilst Universal Credit is rolled out. This will apply even if their earnings rise above the new threshold during that time.
- In addition, any child gaining eligibility for free school meals after 1 April 2018 will be protected against losing free school meals during the Universal Credit rollout period.
- Once Universal Credit is fully rolled out, any existing claimants that no longer meet the eligibility criteria at that point (because they are earning above the threshold or are no longer a recipient of Universal Credit) will continue to receive free school meals until the end of their current phase of education (i.e . primary or secondary).

The Universal Credit rollout is currently expected to complete in March 2022

You will need to select **Proceed** to Create a new account

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To check your children's eligibility for Free School Meals, you must choose one of the following:

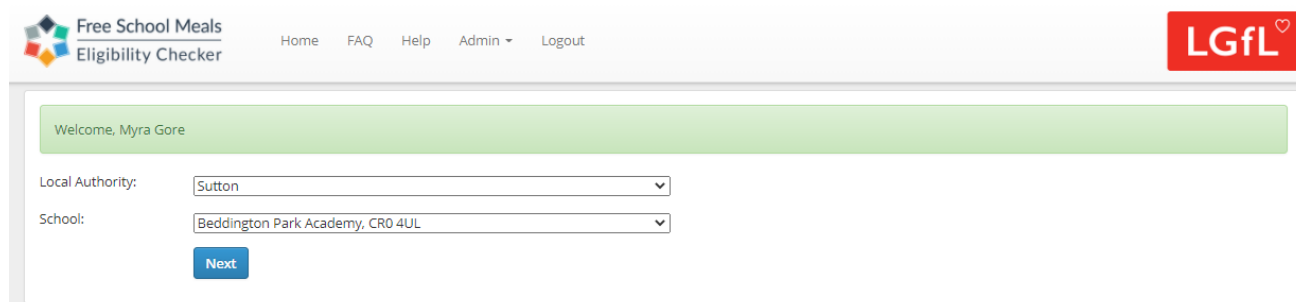
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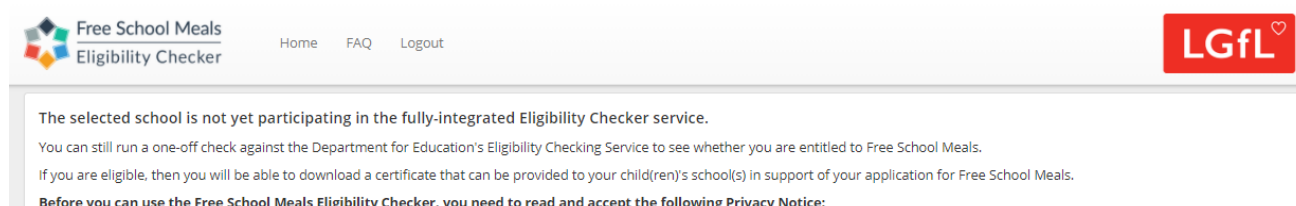
Forgotten your username/password
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Select your local authority and child's school from the drop-down lists

Select **Next** to continue

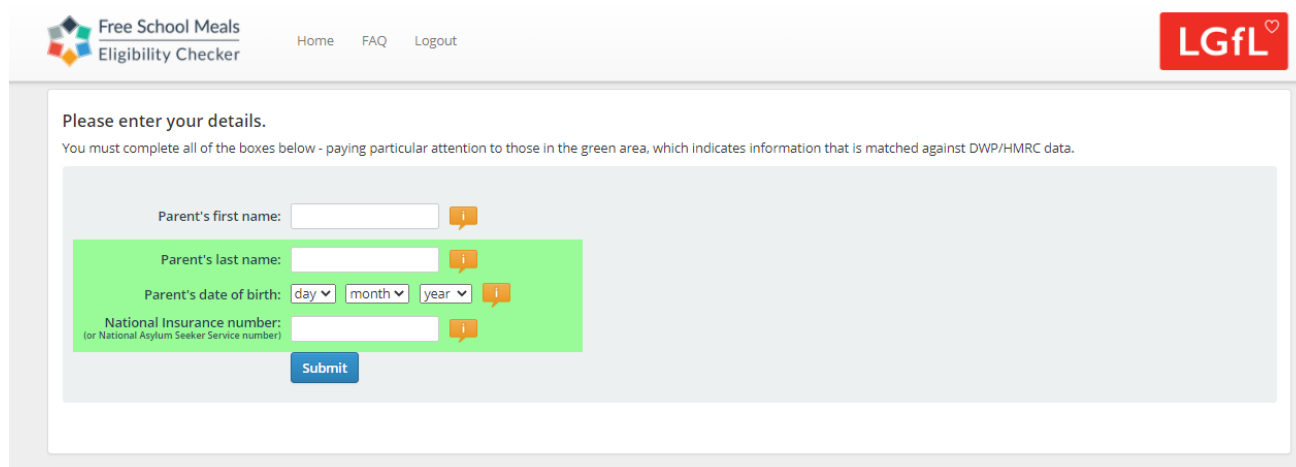


The screenshot shows the top of the 'Free School Meals Eligibility Checker' website. The header includes the logo, navigation links (Home, FAQ, Help, Admin, Logout), and the LGfL logo. A green banner says 'Welcome, Myra Gore'. Below this, there are two dropdown menus: 'Local Authority' (set to 'Sutton') and 'School' (set to 'Beddington Park Academy, CR0 4UL'). A blue 'Next' button is at the bottom of the form.



The screenshot shows a message page on the 'Free School Meals Eligibility Checker' website. The header is the same as the previous page. The main content area has a grey background and contains the following text: 'The selected school is not yet participating in the fully-integrated Eligibility Checker service. You can still run a one-off check against the Department for Education's Eligibility Checking Service to see whether you are entitled to Free School Meals. If you are eligible, then you will be able to download a certificate that can be provided to your child(ren)'s school(s) in support of your application for Free School Meals. Before you can use the Free School Meals Eligibility Checker, you need to read and accept the following Privacy Notice:'.

Enter your details - first name, last name, date of birth and NI/NASS number in the fields below and then **Submit**



The screenshot shows the 'Please enter your details' page on the 'Free School Meals Eligibility Checker' website. The header is the same. The main content area has a grey background and contains the following text: 'Please enter your details. You must complete all of the boxes below - paying particular attention to those in the green area, which indicates information that is matched against DWP/HMRC data.' Below this, there is a form with four fields: 'Parent's first name:', 'Parent's last name:', 'Parent's date of birth:' (with day, month, and year dropdowns), and 'National Insurance number: (or National Asylum Seeker Service number)'. The last three fields are highlighted in green. A blue 'Submit' button is at the bottom of the form.

Your details will then be checked against the Department of Education's eligibility checking service.

On completion of the check you will receive a message "You were found not to be eligible" or a certificate of eligibility which you can print or email to your child's school.

Here is an example of what The Certificate of Eligibility will look like:



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Certificate of Eligibility

The following parent has carried out an online check for free school meal eligibility

Parent/Guardian name:

Date of check:

Checked by: Department for Education Online Eligibility Checking Service

Outcome: Eligible for free school meals
