



Menu Plans

The school kitchen offers a choice of hot meals and salads every day. Lunches are cooked in the school's kitchens and the children are offered a choice of meat and vegetarian main dishes, vegetables, salads and desserts. Non-halal and halal meat options are provided. Menus are updated each term, for further details see the current menu plan in this pack and updated menus will be on the school's website each term.

Packed Lunches

For those children who prefer to bring a packed lunch please ensure it is in a clearly named lunch box. We ask that parents and guardians provide their children with a healthy and nutritious lunch. The school is committed to a healthy eating ethos and does not permit pupils to have sweets, crisps or fizzy drinks at lunchtimes. We expect parents/guardians to support our efforts in helping children to be healthy. Children are allowed to bring in a small treat in their lunch on a Friday. For further information please see the Healthy Packed Lunch leaflet.

Payments

The daily cost of a school meal is £2.35 per pupil, payable in advance.
The weekly cost is £11.75 per pupil.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive free school meals as part of the Government's Universal Free School Meals Scheme.

You can make you can pay online via the school website; you will need to register on the website to access the online payments system. Please see below:

The screenshot shows the login interface for the TUCASI system. At the top left is the TUCASI logo, and at the top right is the Richard Cobden Primary School logo. The main content area has a blue header bar. Below it, there is a 'Snipping Tool' window. The 'Login' section contains two input fields: one for the username and one for the password. Below these fields are three buttons: 'Login', 'Register as a new user', and 'Need help?'. The 'Need help?' section includes three buttons: 'I've forgotten my password', 'I can't verify my email address', and 'Report an issue to Richard Cobden'. At the bottom, there are three links: 'Quick reference guide - Account activation process', 'Video guide - Account activation process', and 'See our frequently asked questions'.

Alternatively direct cash payments via the school office.

Applying for Free School Meals

Are you receiving any of the following benefits?

- Income Support
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance
- Employment and Support Allowance (Income-Related)
- National Asylum Seekers Support (NASS)
- Guarantee Element of the State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit Only, but not Working Tax Credit (and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190)

If you receive Working Tax Credit and NO other qualifying benefit other than Child Tax Credit you will NOT be eligible for Free School Meals.

The Camden Benefits Service would like all parents to complete an online form, please go to <http://www.camden.gov.uk/fsm> 

You will only receive Free School Meals once we have received confirmation from the Camden Benefits Service that you are eligible. They must have an application for FSM in order to carry out any checks. They cannot authorise the backdating of FSM to a date prior to them receiving the form.

You only have to apply for Free School Meals once for your child's time at the school. You must contact the Camden Benefits Service if your circumstances change.

If you are unable to gain internet access, please ask for a paper copy. Please note that this method will take longer to process and you may have to pay for your child's meals in the meantime.

If you have previously applied for FSM but did not qualify, and your circumstances have changed, meaning you might now be eligible; you DO NOT need to complete a new form.

Please contact the Camden Benefits Service and they will do another check and let you know if there has been a change.

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