

## Information for newsletters & websites – schools

### Rotherham School Lunches

#### Free school lunch for all infant school children

As your child moves through school there are lots of decisions for you to make, including what your child eats at lunchtime. We aim to make this decision as easy as possible by providing tasty, nutritious lunches children will enjoy and will help set them up for the rest of the day.

To make things even easier, from September 2014, **all children in Reception Y1 & Y2 are entitled to a free school lunch**. There has never been a better time to introduce your child to the benefits of a tasty, nutritious school lunch.

School food in Rotherham has come a long way, and school lunches are now better than ever. We work hard to promote healthy eating by providing well balanced menus which meet strict national standards making sure children get a tasty, nutritional meal to fuel a day of work and play.

**Did you know... only 1% of packed lunches meet the nutritional standards that apply to school food?**

You could also enjoy savings of up to £360 a year per child if your child takes up a free school lunch. That's a lot of extra money for days out or just helping you with the cost of living.

**Did you know... on average parents spend 150 hours a year preparing packed lunches?**

This is a universal offer and free school meals are available to **all** Reception Y1 & Y2 children, regardless of the family income.

Ask your school for more details or visit [www.rotherham.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.rotherham.gov.uk/schoolmeals)

