



School will close for the Summer holidays at 2pm on 22.07.2026 and will reopen on 02.09.2026



Knowsley Council

1 July 2026

Dear Parents / Carers

The Government's Household Support Fund has been funding food vouchers for children who receive free school meals during the school holidays.

However, the Government confirmed that this fund is now closed. This means that the free school meal vouchers distributed to parents during the school holidays will no longer be available.

In the absence of the Government funding, the Council were able to support with an additional one-off payment for food voucher over the recent May school holidays.

A comprehensive Holiday Activity and Food Programme will continue to be delivered during school holidays, providing both free activities and a meal for children who attend.

Information will be provided here - [Holiday activities and food for children and young people](#) nearer to the summer holidays.

If you do need any additional financial support, please visit [Financial advice and support | Knowsley Council](#)

Yours faithfully

Knowsley Council

Knowsley Council | Nulgrove Villa, Westmorland Road, Huyton, Knowsley, L36 6GA
www.knowsley.gov.uk



Kirkby SUMMER FUN

**Don't miss the FREE family-friendly
events and entertainment in
Kirkby town centre this summer!**

**Saturdays
throughout July & August
11am - 3pm**

PRIDE IN PLACE



Kirkby Council

Kirkby SUMMER FUN

**FREE family-
friendly events in
Kirkby Town Centre
this summer!**

Saturday 18 July

11am - 3pm

WORLD CUP FINAL

To mark the end of the International tournament, Kirkby will come to life with freestyle footballers, workshops, performances, rodeo football, footpool and much more.



Friday 7 &

Saturday 8 August

11am - 3pm

KIRKBY FAN FEST

A two-day festival of fun with a chance to meet some of your favourite characters including your Cosplay Heroes, AutoBots, look-a-likes movie icons, fairytale sweethearts and much more to celebrate the world of film & book culture, with storytelling & interactive experiences.



Saturday 25 July & 29 August

9am - 4pm

MARVELLOUS MARKETS

Browse unique, handcrafted items, meet talented local makers, and enjoy a lively market atmosphere right in the heart of the town.

Saturday 1 August

11am - 3pm

CIRCUS SPECTACULAR

Free family fun and entertainment for all ages including Acro-Trio the Black Eagles, aerial and lollipop hoop workshops, ribbon workshops, stilt walkers, roller skating performances, and a live pianist throughout the day.



Saturday 15 August

11am - 3pm

CARNIVAL EXTRAVAGANZA

Specialist acts and performances including a 12-piece carnival samba band, bubble workshop, circus workshop, jugglers, aerial acts, stilt walkers, carnival craft and much more!



Saturday 22 August

11am - 3pm

TRIBUTE TAKEOVER DAY

Staged show sing-a-long event featuring a range of popular tribute acts and performances to bring music - past and present - to the heart of Kirkby.



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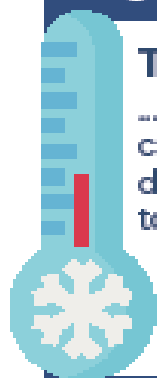




OPEN WATER: DON'T TAKE THE RISK



Swimming in or playing near rivers and canals may seem like a great idea, particularly on a warm day, but it could all end in tragedy. **DON'T take the risk.**



THE WATER IS COLD...

...even on very warm days, rivers and canals contain water barely above 10 degrees. Sudden immersion can lead to cold water shock, which can cause gasping and intake of water.

This can be deadly in a matter of seconds.

DID YOU KNOW?

Even the narrowest of rivers can be considerably deep. Rivers are subject to strong flow and **hidden currents** which can trouble even the strongest of swimmers.

WHAT LIES BENEATH?



The water is untreated and can make you ill.

Canals and rivers contain pollutants, sewage and often unseen underwater obstructions and snag hazards.

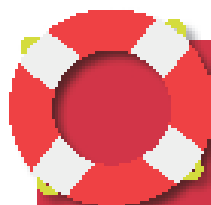


Debris under the water such as shopping trolleys, broken glass and cans can cause **injury** or **trap** you.

Remember, there are no lifeguards to help you at your local river, lake, canal or dam.



Rivers can be very difficult to climb out of, especially with **steep or slimy banks**. **Stay clear of rivers with steep or unguarded banks.**



IN AN EMERGENCY...NEVER enter the water to try and help a person or animal. You could get into difficulty yourself. Instead, dial 999 and use any water rescue equipment that is available.

If you fall into the water unexpectedly, fight your instinct to thrash around. Instead, lean back, extend your arms and legs & float.



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SERVICE

www.merseyfire.gov.uk



09/01/2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

FACE School Annual Membership

Eastcroft park School have bought an annual membership for the academic year 2025/2026 with FACE (family, advice, communication and education)

Face delivers online support via zoom for Parents and Carers

Every month we will send you the Newsletter and Timetable. I have attached the January 2026 Newsletter for your information

FACE offers parents practical advice, information and support, across a wide range of topics, including supporting neurodiverse children, understanding emotions and managing behaviour.

The Eastcroft Park Primary School Code is EP300625

This code grants all Eastcroft Park parents/carers access to all FACE Parent Talks (usually £24 each) for the next 12 months.

The talks are on a four-weekly rotation and alternate between morning sessions (10:00-11:30) and evening sessions (19:00-20:30).

Links to recordings of the talks are available for 48 hours after the live session. If you cannot make a live session, book on and then email to request the recording link.

How to Use the Code:

Visit the **PARENTS** page of the FACE website (facefamilyadvice.co.uk) to view the 16 regular talks for parents.



Choose a topic and click through the booking calendar to find a date and time that suits you.

At the payment stage of booking, enter the code **EP300625** where it says **ADD PROMO CODE**. This will reduce the price from £24 to £0.

Important:

You do not need to book the FREE sessions for parents , as these are for parents from schools that have not purchased the discount code. They are shortened versions of the regular talks which you now have free access to.

The code **EP300625** can only be used for the regular £24 each Parent Talks from Eastcroft Park School and cannot be shared with parents from different schools. Improper use of the code can result in immediate code cancellation for the whole school.

For further information please refer to Eastcroft park School website
<https://www.eastcroftpark.co.uk> or contact the school office on 01514778210
email eastcroft@knowsley.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

Julie Withey
Head teacher





August 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours

School Anxiety	3 Aug 10am
Anxiety Explained	3 Aug 7pm
Facing Defiance	4 Aug 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	4 Aug 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	10 Aug 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	10 Aug 7pm
Introduction to OCD	11 Aug 10am
Decreasing Depression	11 Aug 7pm
What is ACT?	17 Aug 10am
Improving Family Communication	17 Aug 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	18 Aug 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	18 Aug 7pm
FREE - Raising Self-Esteem	20 Aug 7-8pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	24 Aug 10am
Understanding Anger	24 Aug 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	25 Aug 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	25 Aug 7pm



September Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours

Facing Defiance	1 Sep 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	1 Sep 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	7 Sep 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	7 Sep 7pm
Introduction to OCD	8 Sep 10am
Decreasing Depression	8 Sep 7pm
What is ACT?	14 Sep 10am
Improving Family Communication	14 Sep 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	15 Sep 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	15 Sep 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	21 Sep 10am
Understanding Anger	21 Sep 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	22 Sep 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	22 Sep 7pm
FREE - Masking Awareness	24 Sep 7-8pm
Anxiety Explained	28 Sep 10am
School Anxiety	28 Sep 7pm



**SEA
CADETS**

Kirkby and Liverpool North

Are you ready for your next big adventure?

Are you looking for a new challenge and a chance to learn new skills? Do you want to work with people who will support you and help you get a head start in life?

If you said yes, Kirkby and Liverpool North Sea Cadets are for you.

OUR OFFER:

- > Develop your communication, teamwork and leadership skills
- > Discover your potential and unlock future career opportunities
- > Take part in a variety of land and water-based activities
- > Make friends for life
- > Challenge yourself in new ways

GET IN TOUCH FOR MORE INFORMATION

E: contactus@kirkbyscc.co.uk

📞: KirkbySeaCadets218
sea-cadets.org/kirkby



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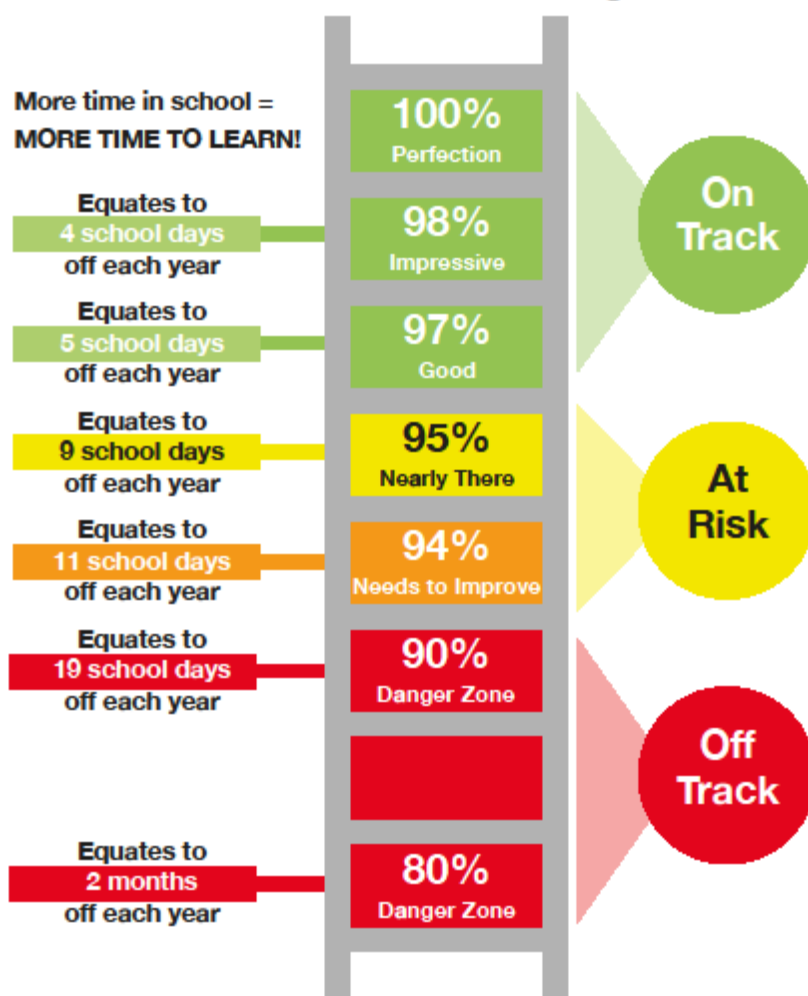
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Kirkby Collaborative of Schools

ATTENDANCE LADDER

All pupils should aim to have **97% or above** attendance

How close are you to reaching the top?



For every day you are absent from school,
5 hours of learning is lost.

You're Invited!

FREE

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

WITH A TWIST

Everyone welcome!



**ACTING
ANGELS**

Every Monday 10am

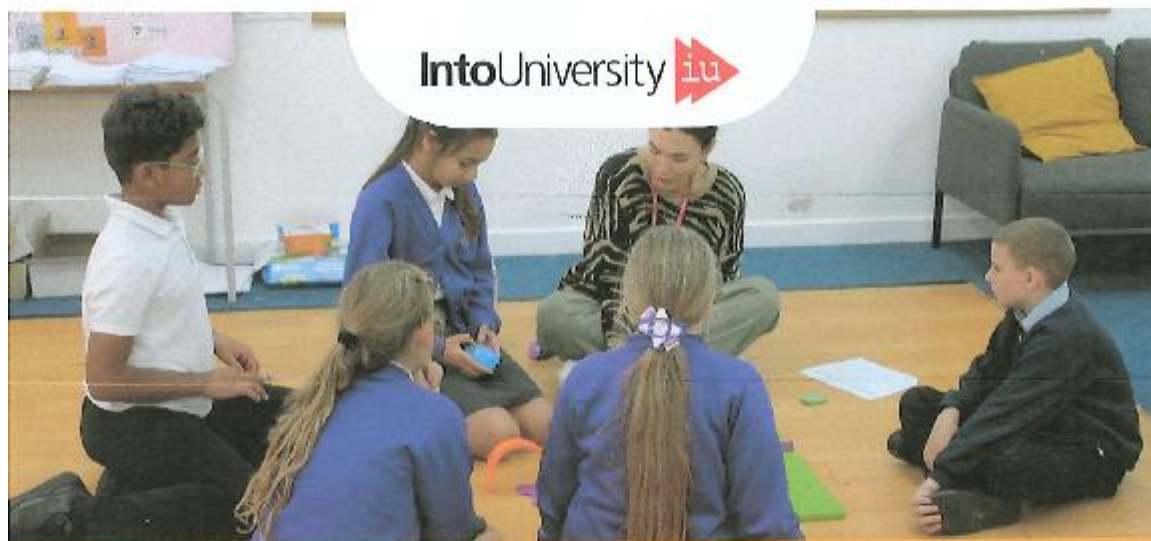
LIMITED PLACES – ACT NOW!



Call or text Colette on **07970 365 422**



Email: **dramaschool@actingangels.co.uk**



PRIMARY ACADEMIC SUPPORT

A free after school club for primary students aged 7 and above. Students are supported to practise their English and Maths skills by learning about new and interesting degree topics.



TUESDAY & WEDNESDAYS

3.30-5PM

WHO?

IntoUniversity are an educational organisation that provide local learning centres where young people are inspired to achieve. We have been open in Kirkby since October 2023.



WHEN?

Tuesdays 3.30-5.00pm
or
Wednesdays 3.30-5.00pm



WHERE?

54-58 St Chad's Parade
Kirkby
Liverpool
L32 8UG

Email:

kirkby@intouniversity.org

Landline:

0151 559 1509

Mobile:

07523 268136



Daily selection
of sandwiches
and jacket
potatoes

Fresh fruit
and Yogurts
available daily

Eastcroft Menu

Spring & Summer 2026



Week 1

Monday

Tuna pasta



Tomato and beal pasta
served with garlic bread
and salad



Pancake with selection
of berries and ice cream



Tuesday

Katsu curry served
with wholegrain rice
and naan



Spaghetti on toast



Fruit / Yogurt



Wednesday

Sausage, scrambled egg,
hash brown, mushrooms,
beans served with
wholemeal toast / barm



Meatfree sausage,
scrambled egg, hash
brown, mushrooms, beans
served with toast / barm



Fruit / Yogurt



Thursday

Farm Assured roast
chicken, roast potatoes,
gravy and seasonal
vegetables



Meatfree fillet, roast
potatoes, gravy &
seasonal vegetables



Fruit / Yogurt



Friday

Harry Ramsdens fish
fillet, chips beans or
peas



Spanish Omelette
served with salad



Lolly ice

Week 2

Chicken Tikka Curry,
Wholegrain rice served
with Naan bread



Tomato, pepper & cheese
topped pizza served with
diced potatoes and salad



Fruit flavoured flapjack



Chicken chow mein
served with noodles



Vegetable chow mein
served with noodles



Fruit / Yogurt



**Pizza served with
wedges**



Vegetable Tikka curry,
wholegrain rice served
with Naan bread



Fruit / Yogurt



Farm Assured Beef,
Mash, gravy and
seasonal vegetables



Meatfree fillet, mash,
gravy and seasonal
vegetables



Fruit / Yogurt



Fish Fingers, chips,
beans or peas



Quorn chicken nuggets
with chips, beans or peas



Angel Delight served
with fruit



Week 3

Beef Burger in a bun
served with oven cooked
wedges and salad



Vegetarian Burger
in a bun served with
oven cooked wedges
and salad



Cookie with milkshake



Freshly prepared
spaghetti bolognese
served with garlic bread
and salad selection



Vegetarian Spaghetti
Bolognese served with
garlic Bread and salad



Fruit / Yogurt



Ham & Cheese panini
served with salad
potatoes & salad
selection



Cheese & tomato panini
served with salad
potatoes and salad



Fruit / Yogurt



Roast Chicken served
with roast potatoes,
gravy and seasonal
vegetables



Meatfree fillet, roast
potatoes, gravy &
seasonal vegetables



Fruit / Yogurt



Harry Ramsdens Fish
fillet served with chips
and beans or peas



Cheese and Red pepper
quiche, chips served
with salad



Ice cream pot



Sweets



Curry



Chicken wings



Fish



Quorn



Lolly



Milkshake



Marsbar



Pears



Tiramisu



Nigiri



Tiramisu



Egg



Veg

April 2026

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Schedule

New
growers
wanted
for 2026

Stories
in full
bloom

Knowsley Flower Show

Sunday 2 August 2026, 11am - 5pm

Court Hey Park, Roby Road, Huyton L16 3NA

www.knowsleyflowershow.com



TESCO

Girlguiding
Merseyside

Cronon

PYRAMID
POWER LTD



WRIGHT

Myerscough
College & University of Applied Sciences



TARMAC



one



Girlguiding
Barton

North West VET

Stagecoach

ALCHEMIC
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one



Call Merseytravel on

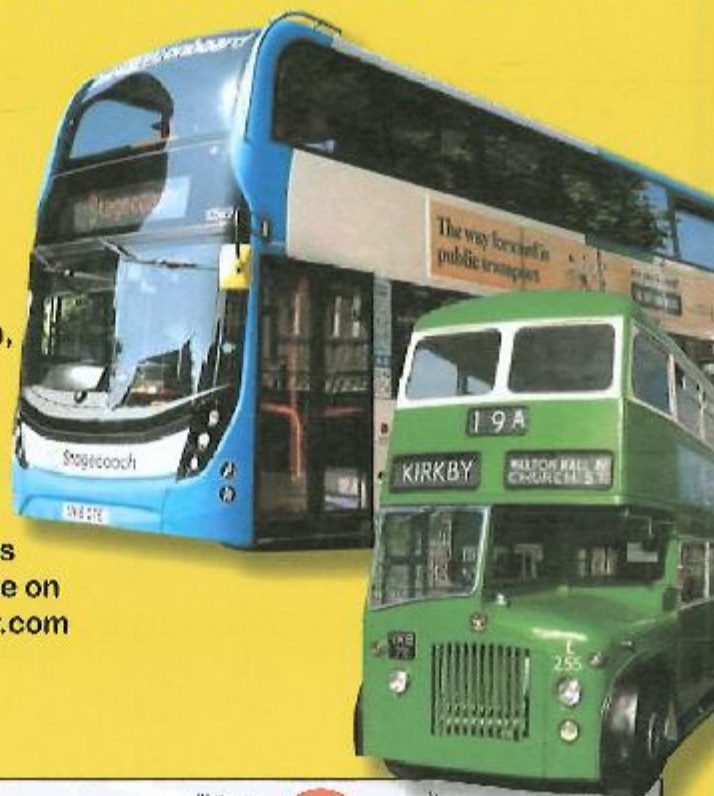
0300 131 2881

for information about how to get to the
Knowsley Flower Show by public transport

FREE

**Shuttle Buses from Huyton,
Kirkby, Knowsley Village,
Prescot Town Centre,
Whiston Village, Cronton
and Halewood.**

**Free Shuttle Bus timetables
and pick up points available on
www.knowsleyflowershow.com**



Location





UNLEASH YOUR CREATIVITY!

Join us at Kirkby Gallery for an inspiring 10-week journey designed especially for 7–12 year-olds. Discover new techniques, get inspired by famous artists, and make friends. The next term starts on **Saturday, 12th Sept** and costs just £75. Call 0151 443 4936, email galleries@knowsley.gov.uk, or scan the QR code to reserve your place today.





Technology Enabled Care



HELPING
YOU TO
STAY
SAFE

We can also talk to you about the wider range of technology to help you stay independent including ambience monitoring (temperature extremes, movement sensors) GPS tracking devices, epilepsy monitoring, falls alerts, medication support tools and more.

To find out more about this service, call Knowsley Council on

0151 443 2600

Visit our website <https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/adult-social-care/helping-you-stay-independent/lifeline-and-technology-enabled-care>



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FOSTER FOR KNOWSLEY

Could you Foster for Knowsley?

You'll receive a generous allowance
and lots of support including training
and development opportunities, a
buddy mentor, equipment,
exclusive offers and discounts and
much more!

Find out more by calling

03456 460098

or email

enquiry@foster4.co.uk



Time for a healthier you?

Making small changes
can make a
big difference
to the way you feel.

Get started with help
and support to:

-  Eat well
-  Get active
-  Stop smoking
-  Drink less alcohol
-  Take care of your mind

Find out more on healthyknowsley.co.uk



Knowsley Council





Breakfast Club Menu



WEEK 1

Monday

Cereal, beans on toast,
Bananas



Tuesday

Cereal, pancakes with selection
of fruit, toast



Wednesday

Cereal, scrambled egg on muffin
or toast



Thursday

Cereal, cream cheese bagel & fruit
or toast



Friday

Cereal, beans on toast



Knowsley Council



Breakfast Club Menu



WEEK 2

Monday

Cereal, and toast



Tuesday

Cereal, yoghurt and toast



Wednesday

Cereal, fresh fruit and toast



Thursday

Cereal, and toast



Friday

Cereal, banana muffin or toast



Knowsley Council

Is your child experiencing anxiety?



NHS

Knowsley MHST are excited to offer a parent led group intervention that will aim to support parents to manage their child's worries and anxious expectations. These groups will take place in local community centres, register your interest below.

DOES YOUR CHILD COMPLAIN ABOUT FEELING SICK WHEN THEY ARE WORRIED ABOUT SOMETHING?

DOES YOUR CHILD SEEK REASSURANCE FROM YOU BEFORE CERTAIN SITUATIONS?

DOES YOUR CHILD NOT WANT TO GO TO SCHOOL DUE TO FEELING WORRIED?

DO THEY STRUGGLE TO GO TO SLEEP AS THEY FEEL ANXIOUS?



Then register your interest by clicking or scanning the QR code below



KNOWSLEY MHST:

OFFICE: 01925 664 120

**OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY TO FRIDAY:
9.00AM – 5.00PM**

*It takes less
than 5 minutes!*

<https://forms.office.com/e/N2agUhuvsA>

HOLIDAY DATES 2026-2027

SHADED AREAS ARE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AND 5 STAFF INSET DAYS

AUTUMN TERM

CHILDREN ATTEND – 2nd SEPTEMBER TO 18TH DECEMBER

HALF TERM HOLIDAY – 26th OCTOBER TO 30th OCTOBER

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – 21st DECEMBER to 1st JANUARY

SPRING TERM

CHILDREN ATTEND – 4th JANUARY to 25th MARCH

SPRING HALF TERM HOLIDAY – 15th FEBRUARY to 19th FEBRUARY

EASTER HALF TERM – 26th MARCH to 9th APRIL

SUMMER TERM

CHILDREN ATTEND- 12th APRIL to 23rd JULY

HOLIDAY MONDAY – 3RD MAY

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HEALTHY FAMILIES COURSE

Join our 5-week course designed to support families
to make healthy lifestyle changes together!

For families with children aged 7-11.



Physical Activity

Each week families will play
fun, interactive games.



Resources & Recipes

Weekly resources to support
lifestyle changes.



Healthy Eating

Each week learning about a
new healthy eating topic.



Cooking Session

Develop new cooking skills and
create low-cost tasty meals.



To register interest or to find out more,
email: HKSchildren.families@merseycare.nhs.uk
or scan the QR code and complete the form.

Knowsley
foodbank
FOOD CLUB

Charity No. 1196064

**Join the Tower Hill
Food Club!**

@ Tower Hill Community Centre,
Ebony Way, L33 1XT

Food Club members pay £3.50 a week and choose up
to 10 items of food and other necessities, or pay £5 for
up to 15 items.

**Every Tuesday,
12pm - 2pm**

Find out more about Knowsley Foodbank:  knowsleyfoodbank.org  0151 673 1250



FREE School Meals

Are you eligible?

From September 2026, if you receive Universal Credit, your child will qualify for free school meals, regardless of the household's income.

This starts from your child's first day of school in Reception until they finish in Year 11 at secondary school.



Who is eligible for free school meals?

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive free school meals automatically under the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme.

However, if you do receive Universal Credit, please still complete an application as this will help to maximise funding coming into your school.

From September 2026, pupils of parents from Year 3 to Year 11 will be eligible for a Free School Meal if they claim one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit
 - Income Support (IS)
 - Income Base Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)
 - Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
 - Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
 - Income Related Employment Support Allowance
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Who is eligible for free school meals?

To ensure your child receives meals from the start of the autumn term, we need to confirm your child's eligibility before the school year begins.

If you are already receiving free school meals, we will automatically check and inform you if you are still eligible.

If you are not currently receiving a free school meal but you do receive Universal Credit, please ensure you apply.



How to apply

Apply for a free school meal on the council's website by scanning the QR code.

Please ensure you apply by **Friday 28 August 2026**.



Help and support

If you need any help and support, please speak to your school (before the school year finishes). Alternatively, call Knowsley Council on **0151 489 6000** or via the online chat at www.knowsley.gov.uk/contact-us and then click 'Chat to us'.

