



## Good Mood Food

At AiP, we're committed to going above and beyond to keep young students engaged.

Food should be fun, but we also recognise our responsibility to encourage children to make healthy food choices. That's why we work hard with our suppliers and food development teams to provide balanced, locally sourced menus that make food exciting for the hundreds of pupils we cater to every day.

Food Smart cooks ups freshly prepared primary school meals that exceed nutritional standards and are prepared by a dedicated catering team in a welcoming, home-from-home environment.

## The Menu

The school menu rotates on a three-week basis and refreshes for the Autumn/Winter and Spring/Summer seasons.

Please use the link to see the current menu cycle.

## How school meals can support your child's diet & development

All children need a nutritious, balanced meal to grow and meet their full potential.

School meals need to be compliant with the School Food Standards. These were created to help children develop healthy eating habits and ensure that they get the energy and nutrition they need across the whole school day. Therefore, parents should be able to trust that the school's menu has been developed based on scientific nutrition research.

Click on the link to find out more about the Government's School Meals Food Standards:

<https://www.gov.uk/school-meals-food-standards>

## Free school meals

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are currently entitled to receive UNIVERSAL FREE SCHOOL MEALS! There is no need for you to apply for this, it will save you time and money every day on making packed lunches, and in our experience pupils who take up their school meals become more adventurous and open to trying new foods.

Please note that this is not to be confused with FREE SCHOOL MEALS that you may be entitled to for children in any year:

Universal Credit and your household income after tax is less than £7,400 per year (not including any benefits you get)

Child Tax Credit, as long as you are not getting Working Tax Credit and have an annual income of less than £16,190

*Income-related Employment and Support Allowance*

*Income Support*

*Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance*

*The guaranteed part of Pension Credit*

*Asylum seeker support.*

It is also available to looked-after children, pupils who have been adopted and those whose parents are currently serving military personnel.

Please request the relevant form from the school office or look at this website:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

## Special Diets & Allergies

Special diets are an integral part of our catering provision, whether as a result of an ethical or religious belief or a food intolerance or allergy.

To register any special diets as a requirement please complete and return the special diets form to the school as soon as possible - you can ask the school office for a form or download the form from the website.

Please ensure the office is aware of any requirements so the catering team are able to meet this request.

## Come and join us

It takes some pretty special people to make sure that we give our school children and young adults great food every day. We are keen to add to our teams with talented people so if you are looking for an opportunity to challenge yourself and learn new skills, let us know.

To view all our live vacancies, click the link: <https://www.sodexojobs.co.uk/>