## Families across North Yorkshire are being encouraged to take up school meals as an affordable, healthy way to feed their children.

As family budgets face pressure from the rising cost of living, school meals offer children a nutritious meal every day.

We are encouraging even more people to take up the service.

Free School Meal Entitlement (FSM) could save families up to £450 a year per child; a much-needed financial boost due to the cost-of-living increases.

We thought we would take this opportunity to ask that you check if your family might be entitled to Free School Meals. If you have children in Reception/Year 1 and Year 2 your child currently receives Universal FSM. However, this is different to the FSM and if you are eligible, you would also be entitled to additional financial support from the school to help with the cost of swimming lessons, trips, music lessons etc (Pupil Premium money distributed termly).

Please check if you are eligible using the link below. If you would like any help in completing this form we are happy to assist you with this.

https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals