



21st January 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Pupil Premium Entitlement

You may be aware that the government introduced the 'Pupil Premium Grant' in April 2011 and as a result schools are allocated additional funding into their school budget. The premium provides funding specifically for children from low income families who have registered. The purpose of the grant into schools is to raise achievement and improve outcomes for these children. As with most schools, it is likely that a number of our parents/carers fail to claim Free School Meals (FSMs) for their children, which is part of the Pupil Premium grant, even though they are entitled to them.

As the school will receive additional funding based on the number of children who receive FSMs, I am writing to ask **all parents and carers** to fill in the form attached so that the school can check their eligibility and make a claim on their behalf. As I am sure you will agree, the children at our school can only benefit if we are able to attract additional funding.

We use the Pupil Premium grant in a number of ways, whilst ensuring it is carefully targeted for those eligible children in order to help them achieve their potential both academically and socially. The main ways we spend the money are:

- To part fund provision of smaller group teaching by both teachers and teaching assistants.
- To support our funding of specialist art and music/performance teachers.
- To fund the provision of specific resources to support and improve achievement.
- To fund the provision of support for non-academic interventions to help increase self-esteem, develop social skills, improve relationships, confidence etc.
- To subsidise extra-curricular activities, visitors and performers to school.

To claim Pupil Premium for this academic year we need to check your eligibility as soon as possible. Please therefore return the form attached to the school office by **Wednesday 30th January**. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards,

Craig Taylor
School Business Manager



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Pupil Premium is additional funding that school can receive to support those students who are or have been entitled to Free School Meals in the last six years. Entitlement to Free School Meals is based on the parent/carer receiving any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (as long as you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit

To ensure your child is receiving their full entitlement we can check your Pupil Premium eligibility on your behalf, however we do ask that you give us permission by simply completing the following:

Child's Surname	
Child's First Name	
Parent / Carer's Full Name <i>(including title)</i>	
Parent / Carer's Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	
Parent / Carer's National Insurance Number (AA 12 34 56 C) Or Asylum Seeker Number (123456789)	

- I give permission for school to use the information provided to check my details against the Pupil Premium / Free School Meals eligibility checker
- I give permission for school to re-check my information from the date I have signed this form
- I declare that I have parental responsibility for the child named on this form

Parent / Carer's Signature:Date:



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