

PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING – IS YOUR CHILD ENTITLED?

What is Pupil Premium Funding?

The pupil premium is money which the government gives schools to help improve the <u>achievement</u> of children who come from low-income families. In 2016/17 this amount was £1320 per pupil. About 20% of our families usually qualify for this funding – in 2016/17 this raised £86,100 for the school.

We use this money in various ways, for example:

- Staffing: including specialist teaching, TA support and staffing for interventions
- Staff training for specialist interventions in speaking and listening, literacy and maths
- Resources for interventions
- Free breakfast club on the condition that they arrive before 8.00am and read to an adult or older pupil during the session
- Supporting costs for school trips
- Revision guides for Y6 pupils
- Purchase 1 book per pupil at the school book fair
- Wider opportunities for higher ability pupils to achieve potential in other areas.

All pupils in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 are currently entitled to receive a free school meal. If you are eligible for Pupil Premium funding your child may also continue to get a free school meal in Years 3 to 6.

The more parents who register, the better funded the school is – and we use these funds to ensure that your child has the best possible support they can get.

Who is entitled?

You may be entitled to Pupil Premium funding if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support from NASS (National Asylum Support Service) under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit- provided you are 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 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

How can I register?

You can do this by logging onto https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals and following the Leicestershire guidance.

If you need any help with this, please do not hesitate to ask at our School Office or speak to Mrs Swarbrook, the school's Pupil Premium Coordinator.