

## What is the Pupil Premium (PP)?

The Pupil Premium is extra government money which is paid to schools to support children's learning and development. Your child's school can support you in finding out if your child could receive the extra money. Your child's school can choose how to best spend the Pupil Premium money and will work with you to make sure your child benefits from the extra funding.

Children from the reception year to year 11 may be eligible if they:

- are registered for Free School Meals (FSM)
- have been registered for FSM at any point in the last 6 years
- are or have been in care. Let your child's school know this information if you haven't already
- have parents in the armed forces
- If your child could claim for FSM but takes a packed lunch to school, it's still important you tell their school. This will let them know your child is able to receive the Pupil Premium.

Your child could benefit from:

- exciting new learning activities and opportunities to widen their life experiences
- access to a chromebook for remote learning
- school milk
- subsidised trips, including residentials
- extra tools, materials and equipment to help with learning in school or at home
- an Oak Green school jumper and PE T-shirt

## Frequently asked questions?

*I cannot find my National Insurance number. What do I do?*

*Call the National Insurance Enquiries helpline on 0300 200 3500.*

*Will the Pupil Premium (PP) affect my benefits?*

*No, if your child receives the PP, it will not affect any benefits you may be entitled to.*

*How can I ensure the school gets the extra Pupil Premium funding for my child?*

*You need to find out first if you can register your child for Free School Meals (FSM). You can do this a few months before your child starts school. It is important to register your child for FSM, even if you are going to send a packed lunch with them every day.*

*Does my child automatically qualify for FSM if they have older brothers/sisters in school who are already registered?*

*No, you need to register each child.*

*Why should I register my child for Free School Meals (FSM)?*

*Children who are registered for Free School Meals (FSM) are entitled to the Pupil Premium. Your child isn't automatically registered for FSM, even though all infant children are entitled to receive a free school meal.*



## Pupil Premium Information

**Don't let your child miss out!**

**Did you know that extra money could be available to help your child's learning and development?**

## Do you receive any of these benefits?

Your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided 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 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

**Free  
School  
Meals** 

**Are you entitled?**

## What is the difference between Free School Meals and Universal Free School Meals?

EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2

If your child is in EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2 they are entitled to a hot free school meal everyday as part of the national Universal Free School Meals Scheme.

Even if your child is in EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2, it is important that if you receive a qualifying benefit you still register for free school meals under the eligibility scheme. This means the school receives extra money to help with their education.



## What should you do now?

*If you have any queries or questions in regards to Pupil Premium please contact the school office on: 01296 423895 and they can issue you with the form that you need to complete. We then input your information into our system and wait to be told if you have qualified.*

**Remember,** if your circumstances change, then you may be entitled to Pupil Premium, even if on a previous occasion we have checked and you weren't eligible. Please just ask and we can check again.

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