



Bluecoat Primary
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PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING

Dear Parents and Carers,

Each year the Academy receives extra funding from the government to provide additional support and educational experiences for children who come from lower income homes. This funding is called Pupil Premium and can help ensure all children have access to the same opportunities and activities.

The funding is used in school in a variety of ways. It is used to support additional learning, to support music tuition, help with paying for trips and residential visits and to support eligible children to access extra-curricular clubs when requested. Also any children entitled to this funding are also eligible to receive free school meals, free school milk plus a range of other benefits.

The school can qualify for Pupil Premium for your child if you receive one of the following:

1. Income Support
2. Income based Job Seekers Allowance
3. Income related Employment and Support Allowance
4. Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
5. Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
6. Child Tax Credit with an annual income of less than £16190 and not in receipt of Working Tax credit
7. Working Tax Credit Run-On (the payment you receive for further weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
8. You are actively serving in the Armed Forces

If you believe your child may qualify for this support in school, there is an online application, this can be found on here: <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>, there are also paper forms available from the school office. You don't have to declare anything complicated or give details of your earnings. The form should take no more than 5 minutes to complete.

Please note that, should your circumstances change and you no longer qualify for receipt of any of the above benefits, pupil premium funding will still continue to be paid to support your child for a further 6 years.

If you have any questions about Pupil Premium and how we use this funding, or would like more information on how to apply, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

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Office Manager

