

Puddletown Church of England First School

‘Inspiring learners to be the best they can be’

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to clarify the school’s position on Pupil Premium Funding and what it means for the children in our care. Pupil Premium Funding is essentially additional funding allocated to the school on top of its normal budget, it is allocated according to the number of children who meet the threshold of eligibility.

This funding is used to further support children in our school and increase opportunity for either individual children, groups of children or all the children.

At Puddletown First School all children who are eligible for Pupil Premium Funding would;

- Be given some support to access our Breakfast club or Afterschool provision if required
- Receive free hot school meals in Y3 and Y4 **as well as** reception, Y1 and Y2 (to apply www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/free-school-meals)
- Have school visits, trips and activities paid by the school using the funding
- Be provided with a school uniform package each year at no cost
- Be supported in the payment of musical tuition if required

In addition to this ‘core package’ Pupil Premium Funding is also used to support the provision of learning and pastoral support across the school.

No child eligible for Pupil Premium Funding is ever identified to their peers.

Applications for registration for Pupil Premium Funding are allocated according to eligibility for Free School Meals. Your child is eligible for Pupil Premium funding if you are in receipt of any of the following;

- Income support
- Income based job seekers allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross salary of no more than £16 190 as assessed by HMRC
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

The Local Authority has advised that this is or has been the case in the last six years and therefore funding has been allocated for your child. Therefore, please contact the school office if you would like to discuss or organise any parts of the core package detailed above. Please note that details for trips will still require consent so please continue to access this via your Schoolcomms account.

Any queries, please contact either myself or the school office on 01305 848206.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D Hunwick

Headteacher



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