

Farnsfield St. Michael's C of E Primary School

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Pupil Premium Eligibility

Dear Parents and Carers,

Pupil Premium is a fund from the government to raise attainment and ensure equal opportunities for all children. There are three groups of children who are eligible for this funding: children from families receiving certain benefits, children who are in care or were previously in care but are now adopted, and children of service personnel. You will find details of those children who are eligible for this funding, and how to apply, below. **All applications will be confidential.**

1. Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for Pupil Premium funding. By applying for Free School Meals (whether your child decides to have them or not), school will receive an additional **£1,480 per year** funding in the form of Pupil Premium for your child. The money will be spent on your child either individually or as part of a small group. Your child could receive additional support in school to help them achieve age related expectations or to reach 'greater depth'. There will also be an allocation of funds within this that is spent on extra-curricular activities, after school sports clubs, visits and trips, so it is well worth applying for the extra funding if you think you are eligible.

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, you must still complete an application form for school to receive the Pupil Premium funding, even though your child receives Universal Free School Meals.

Your child may be eligible for Pupil Premium funding if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance

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- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
 - The guarantee element of Pension Credit
 - Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
 - Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190
2. If your child is either looked after or was previously looked after (i.e. they have been in the care of the state and/or are adopted from care), they are also entitled to extra funding. The funding would be used in the same way as stated above. Pupil Premium for these children is an additional **£2,570 per year**.
3. There is also a small fund available of **£335 per year** for children of service personnel. Children eligible for this funding must meet the following criteria:
- one of their parents is serving in the regular armed forces
 - they have been registered as a 'service child' on the January school census at any point since 2014
 - one of their parents died whilst serving in the armed forces and the pupil receives a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme or the War Pensions Scheme
 - pupils with a parent who is on full commitment as part of the full-time reserve service are classed as service children

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll remain eligible until they finish the phase of schooling (primary or secondary) they're in on 31 March 2024.

Last year, our Pupil Premium funding meant that we could employ additional adults to support children's learning and social/emotional needs and fund those important extra-curricular activities.

If you think your child may be entitled to this additional funding, please fill in the slip below and pop it in the school office drop box in the school reception. If you do not have access to a printer please email myself D.Taylor@fsm.org.uk with the necessary details to make the application. If you have any further questions, please email the office (office@fsm.org.uk). Alternatively, you can email myself with Pupil Premium questions or queries.

All applications will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Best wishes,

Deb Taylor
Deputy Headteacher

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I believe my child may be eligible for Pupil Premium.

| Child's First Name | Child's Last Name | Child's Date of Birth | | |
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