



Studley St. Mary's C. of E. Academy

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REF: Free School Meals & Pupil Premium

Dear Parents/Carers

If you are currently in receipt of Free School Meals and Pupil Premium, this letter explains how school spends this money and what it can be used for. If you think you may be eligible, please click on the link to check or apply. Please remember if your child is now in Y3 Government Infant Free School Meal funding has stopped. [Apply for free school meals – Warwickshire County Council](#)

What is Pupil Premium funding?

All schools receive extra funding to support children who are currently, or have been, entitled to free school meals. The funding comes directly to school from the Department for Education (DFE) Any child who currently receives free school meals or has done so at any point in the last 6 years qualifies for the funding. In addition, children who are in local authority care, have been adopted from care or are now cared for under a Special Guardianship Order also qualify for the funding.

Our school has the freedom to spend the Pupil Premium Funding in a way we think will best address inequalities, tackle disadvantage and support the raising of attainments for our pupils.

How does the school spend the Pupil Premium Funding?

On our website we annually publish how we intend to spend the funding and the educational impact. We also publish a report at the end of the academic year to explain what the money has been spent on and the impact this has had on the pupils. Below are examples of how we use the funding in school:

- Support for reading, writing and maths.
- Consolidate learning and challenge pupils in smaller groups.
- Extra 1:1 or small group support with an experienced T.A. or teacher.
- Specific resources as needed.
- To enhance the curriculum by providing a subsidy for educational visits and lunchtime or afterschool clubs to ensure equality of opportunities.
- To raise pupil confidence, engagement and self-esteem.
- Children who are entitled to Pupil Premium Funding may receive free school milk.

Can parents have a say in how the Pupil Premium Funding is spent?

We are keen to support families to give their children the best life chances and equality of opportunity.

Most of the funding is spent in school to support the children with their learning. We also have the following support available:

- Trips. We can offer support towards your child's school trips.
- After school clubs. We offer all PP children the opportunity of one free club each term with Sprint Active on a Monday.

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- Uniform. We can support the cost of school uniform with the provision of a PE top. Additionally, we have a school supply of 2nd hand good quality cardigans and jumpers.

Should you wish to spend the allowance on alternative extra-curricular clubs or trips please contact the office for arrangements.

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you require any further details.

Kind Regards

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