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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Pupil Premium and free school meals

If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' and you register them for this, we will receive extra funding called 'Pupil Premium'. We use this extra money to improve the education provisions and resources at the school.

<u>Please note all our children are entitled to the Governments Universal Free School Meal and this is something different and not related to Pupil Premium.</u>

What is Pupil Premium Funding?

Pupil Premium funding from the government is given to school to help pupils reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation. It is provided for pupils who:

- Are registered for free school meals (not universal free school meals)
- Have been registered for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years
- Are, or have been, in care
- Have parents in the armed forces

At Purbrook Infant School, we get an extra £1,320 for every eligible pupil who is registered for free school meals. This extra money could make a difference to the quality of education we offer.

For example, we've previously used Pupil Premium Funding for:

- Educational provision/resources
- Academic interventions
- Well-being and self-esteem support
- Assistance with funding for school trips / uniform

Is my child eligible for free school meals?

Your child might be eligible if you access:

- Income support
- Income based Jobseekers Allowance or 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 annual gross income of no more than £ 16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run on
- Universals Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)

Does my child have to eat the free school meals?

No. Pupils who are registered for free school meals don't have to eat them. If you're eligible but want your child to have a packed lunch you should still register because the school will receive the funding which can support your child in other ways.

How do I register?

You only need to register once at the school.

To register, please complete the simple questionnaire at the following link: https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants

Alternatively, visit the school office with your National Insurance number where the admin staff will do a quick online eligibility check on your behalf.

More information

For more information about pupil premium funding go to our website, which contains details of how the pupil premium has been spent in the last academic years and the impact this has had on learning.

If you have any questions or specific concerns, please contact Miss L Jelliff, the Deputy Head teacher and Pupil Premium Champion.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher