

Stramongate School Pupil Premium 2024

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School Vision

The targeted and strategic use of pupil premium will support us in achieving our vision. Pupil Premium is allocated to pupils who qualify for free school meals, whose parents serve in the HM Armed Forces or who are Children Looked After.

Principles

- We ensure that teaching and learning opportunities meet the needs of all of the pupils.
- We ensure that appropriate provision is made for pupils who belong to vulnerable groups. This includes ensuring that the needs of socially disadvantaged or otherwise disadvantaged pupils are adequately assessed and addressed.
- In making provision for disadvantaged pupils, we recognise that not all pupils who receive free school meals or whose parents serve in HM Armed Forces will be disadvantaged.
- We also recognise that not all pupils who are disadvantaged qualify for Pupil Premium. Therefore, the allocation of Pupil Premium funding may benefit additional pupils and groups that the school has legitimately identified as being, in some way disadvantaged.
- Pupil premium funding will be allocated following a needs analysis which will identify priority classes, groups or individuals. Limited funding and resources mean that not all children receiving free school meals/forces children will be in receipt of pupil premium interventions at one time.

Provision

The range of provision the Governors may consider making for this group could include:

- Providing small group work with an experienced teacher or teaching assistant focussed on narrowing the gap for any pupil not on track to achieve Age Related Expectations by the end of KS2 (National expectations or better).
- 1-1 support
- Additional teaching and learning opportunities provided through learning mentors, trained TAs or external agencies as directed and agreed by the school
- Providing access to additional opportunities including educational visits and workshops both in and out of school, extra-curricular clubs, residential experiences, music lessons, KS2 Homework and Activity Club, ICT packages or other teaching materials, where this forms part of the planned curriculum for pupils at Stramongate School.

All our work through the pupil premium will be aimed at accelerating progress and moving children to at least age-related expectations. Initially this will focus on social skills, communication, English and mathematics.

Pupil premium resources may also be used to target more able children to achieve higher than Age Related Expectations at the end of Early Years, KS1 or KS2

Reporting

It will be the responsibility of the Headteacher, or a delegated member of staff, to produce the following reports for the Governors' Curriculum and Behaviour committee each term:

- The progress made towards achieving age-related expectations (or better), by year group, for disadvantaged pupils for whom school has received pupil premium funding.
- An outline of the provision that was made since the last meeting for these pupils.
- An evaluation of the cost effectiveness, in terms of the progress made by these pupils receiving a particular provision, when compared with other forms of support.

A report will be produced for Governor's Finance, Staffing and Pay committee on a termly basis, for the purposes of budgetary monitoring to enable governors to monitor the expenditure of Pupil Premium.

It will be the responsibility of the Chairpersons of the committees to ensure this information is made known to the full governing body.

The Governors of the school will ensure that an annual statement to parents on how the Pupil Premium funding has been used to address the issue of improving attainment, for disadvantaged pupils is posted on its website as required by the Department for Education.

Appeals

Any appeals against this policy will be through the governor's complaints procedure.

What difference will it make for my child?

We think there may be many families who could be eligible but have not applied for a range of reasons.

The Pupil Premium Grant could make a big difference to your child's future as with this money Stramongate School can provide the following for your child

- School funded day visits
- School funded residential visits
- School funded workshops and theatre performances etc
- Additional resources or equipment for your child
- School funded after-school activity
- School subsidized peripatetic music lessons
- Annual uniform voucher for school sweatshirts or cardigans plus book or gym bag
- Where appropriate , the school will also provide access to additional support for your child's learning and/or well-being

Your child will receive these benefits for SIX YEARS even if you are only eligible for free meals for a period of time

Contacts:

Free School Meals Service Service Centre Corporate, Customer and Community Services Park House Building Kingmoor Business Park Carlisle CA6 4SJ

Tel: 01228 606060

Stramongate School Blackhall Road Kendal LA9 4BT

Tel: 01539 725073

PUPIL PREMIUM GRANT



Information for parents

What is the Pupil Premium Grant (PPG)?

The Pupil Premium Grant provides additional funding on top of the main funding a school receives. It is targeted at pupils from disadvantage backgrounds to ensure they benefit from the same opportunities as pupils from less deprived families. The main purpose of the funding is to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils by closing the gap with their peers

Who receives the Pupil Premium Grant?

The Pupil Premium Grant is given directly to the schools to support pupils

- From low-income families who are registered for 'Free School Meals'
- Who have been registered for 'Free School Meals' at any time in the last six years (known as 'Ever 6 FSM')
- Who are in care of the Local Authority (children looked after 'CAL')

The school continues to receive Pupil Premium for a child for six years, even if they are no longer entitled to 'Free School Meals'

Please contact school if your child has been adopted or has a parent either currently serving in the armed services or has left the service April 2015.

Thank you

Are you eligible?

Free school meals and clothing vouchers are available for your child(ren) if you are receiving one of the following qualifying benefits:

- Universal Credit (threshold £7,400)
- Income-based Job Seekers Allowance (IBJSA)
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Support under Park VI of Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit-provided your not also entitled to working Tax Credit (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs) and a gross income of no more then £16,190

Please note: if you are in receipt of **working tax credits** you **may not** be eligible for free school meals or clothing grants.

From September 2012, all children in Reception and Year 1 and Year 2 qualify for free school meals (Universal Free School Meals) regardless of their family income, but only the children who have qualified under the above income-based criteria will receive the

PUPIL PREMIUM GRANT ALLOCATIONS 2023 -2024

- £1,455 'Free School Meals and 'Ever 6 FSM'
- £2,530 Adopted or looked-after children
- £320 Service children

How to apply

- 1. Check the list to see if you qualify.
- Where possible, all parents and carers should apply online via the Westmorland & Furness Council Citizen Portal. You will first need to register to use the Citizen Portal and the link is https://

ems.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/ CitizenPortal_LIVE/en the process can be quick with online applications and you will receive an immediate response advising whether you are eligible or not.

- If you are unable to apply online please contact the free school meals team 01228 606060.
- You still need to apply to receive the benefits of the PPG even if your child is eligible for a free meal because they are in Reception Year 1 or 2
- If you are eligible and do apply, your child does not need to have a school meal each day to qualify for the benefits of the PPG.
- If you are unsure whether you are eligible or require assistance with your application please do contact the school office for further information and support (all enquires will be dealt with sensitivity and confidentially).
- We ask that you help us to help your child by ensuring that you have checked to see if you are eligible for the PPG.