How we use the Pupil Premium at Oyster Park Primary Academy

If you are eligible for the Pupil Premium, it provides much more than free school meals!

Last year, the funding was spent in various ways. We provided one-to-one emotional support as well as targeted intervention to support attainment and progress in reading, writing and maths. Pupil Premium funding was also used to purchase teaching and learning resources to enhance the curriculum. Individuals also received funding for various enrichment opportunities such as music lessons and contributions towards school trips, which helped them, make the most of the learning experiences on offer at Oyster Park Primary.

Important Note

As a school, we pride ourselves on confidentiality, please be assured that no other parents will know that your child receives Pupil Premium funding unless you tell them. The school will keep it confidential.

Once you are eligible, the funding is attached to your child for 6 years. It is different from Free School Meals, so even if you are not eligible for Free School Meals after a year, Pupil Premium will not be removed.

If you think you would qualify for Free School Meals to enable us to receive the Pupil Premium, you can apply online by downloading the document from the Wakefield Council Website (link below) or by collecting an application form from the school office.

http://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/free-school-meals

Additional information about how Pupil Premium is spent in our school can also be found on our school website under Pupil Premium.

For further support or additional information, please contact Reception and make an appointment with a member of the Senior Leadership Team

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Parent Information 2018
Oyster Park Primary Academy

At Oyster Park Primary Academy we recognise that children face many barriers to their learning. It is part of our ethos to ensure that these are effectively and efficiently removed so that all children make good progress. An integral part of this work surrounds the use of our pupil premium money which is provided by the government to support the education of children based on a number of factors.

What is Pupil Premium?

Did you know that our school could be missing out on **more than £1300** of funding per year for 6 years to help your child succeed?

The Government currently gives a grant to schools to help children from lower income families to do their very best. This funding is called "Pupil Premium" and it targets young people eligible for free school meals and those who have one or more parents serving in the armed forces.

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Emotional Support

Is your child eligible for Pupil Premium Funding?

Interventions

Pupil Premium

Think of the difference this funding might make to your child's future; better resources, more staff to help in class, financial support for you towards trips and clubs, specialist training for staff, more catch-up groups, more support with key skills, mentoring etc.

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

Children in Year 1 receive Free School Meals already

Since September 2014, all children in Upper Foundation to Year 2 are offered a healthy meal every day, free of charge, so this may have discouraged eligible families from applying.

The Pupil Premium offers much more than free school meals; support with classroom learning, financial support for trips etc. It is important to sign up for free school meals, even if your child is in reception, year 1 or year 2, so that the school receives as much funding as possible.

Preconception of being labelled as a low-income family

All information about children who receive Pupil Premium funding is kept confidential to the school. Families are eligible for a range of reasons, and there is no such thing as a typical Pupil Premium child. We want to encourage families to take advantage of the funding they are legally entitled to, in order to help their children at school.

Child achieving well and doesn't require extra support

We look carefully at how Pupil Premium funding will benefit all eligible children. For some children, this could mean financial support with music lessons, or extracurricular clubs. All children are considered as individuals, and we make sure that they benefit from their Pupil Premium entitlement, whatever their learning needs.

How to know that the Pupil Premium makes a difference to children's learning

The progress of children who receive Pupil Premium is closely monitored by the school's leadership team and the Governors. We are required to publish how we spend the Pupil Premium on our school website and OFSTED will check that we are using the funding appropriately.

Who can apply?

You must receive one of these benefits to qualify for Pupil Premium funding:

- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit - as long as you have a yearly household income of less than £16,190 (as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs) and you do not get Working Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working tax Credit)

Subsidised Trips

How to apply for Pupil Premium Funding?

Small Focus Groups