

Pupil Premium

What is Pupil Premium?

In primary schools, Pupil Premium is additional funding given to publicly funded schools in England to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils from Reception to Year 6 and to close the gap between them and their peers.

Pupil Premium funding is available to both mainstream and non-mainstream schools, like special schools and pupil referral units.

In April 2012, Pupil Premium funding was extended to children eligible for free school meals at any point in the past 6 years.

Pupil Premium is paid to schools, as they are best placed to assess what additional provision their pupils need. Ofsted inspections report on how schools' use of the funding affects the attainment of their disadvantaged pupils.

Schools will continue to receive funding for each child who:

- Has been looked after for 1 day or more.
- Has been adopted from care.
- Is from a service family.
- Has left care under:
 - a special guardianship order.
 - a residence order.
 - a child arrangement order.

Identifying disadvantaged pupils

For further information in relation to free school meals, please click <https://www.hertsforlearning.co.uk/blog/how-do-you-know-if-child-eligible-pupil-premium-funding-reception-and-beyond>

Applying for Free School Meals for your child

To apply for free school meals, please click here <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>

Payments

Pupil Premium is paid to local authorities in quarterly instalments. Local authorities then manage the funding and decide when to pass it on to the schools they fund.

Local authorities also decide how pupil premium funding is allocated in special schools and alternative provision (AP) settings (including pupil referral units).

Online Reporting

All school must publish details online in relation to how Pupil Premium funding is spent and the effect this has had on the pupils who attract the funding.

Please see the document below for information with regard to Pupil Premium spending and impact:

As a school, we continually review the impact of Pupil Premium spending on outcomes for our pupils. We look at recent Reading/Writing/Maths standards and any other outcomes and analyse whether the funding could have been spent in any other way to improve outcomes. If it can, then we re-direct funding to achieve the best possible provision for pupils.