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Dear Parent/Carer

We are writing to you with information regarding Pupil Premium funding and how it can benefit our learners and school.

You may have already heard about the Government initiative called Pupil Premium. This is a grant that is available to schools and it is based upon the number of eligible learners who can receive it.

Pupil Premium Entitlement

- Learners who are registered for a Free School Meal (FSM)
- Learners who have been registered for FSM at any point in the last six years.
- Learners who have been adopted from the English or Welsh care system, or who have left care. (In the case of adopted children, we will require formal documentation to be viewed in confidence by the school office.)
- Learners who have been looked after by the local authority for more than six months, children of service personnel.

Pupil Premium Grant is paid directly to schools for all eligible learners as mentioned in the above criteria. The funding is used in a variety of ways to ensure that all identified learners in the categories above are supported to accelerate progress and to maximize their attainment and wellbeing.

We are asking all parents to read the criteria below to see if you think your child may be eligible for Free School Meals.

Your child may be entitled to FSM if you receive any of the following:

- Income support; or
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance; or
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance or
- Child Tax Credit, as long as you do not get Working Tax Credit and whose annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) does not exceed £16,190; or
- Support under part VI of the Immigration & asylum Act 1999; or
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Universal Credit (with an annual take home pay of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)

Note:

- Families in receipt of Working Tax Credit are not eligible for Free School Meals and Pupil Premium.
- Those entitled to Working Tax Credit during the four-week period immediately after their employment ceases, or after they start to work less than 16 hours per week, are entitled to Free School Meals.
- The Pupil Premium will only be awarded to your school if you apply for Free School Meals, however, please note your child is not required to have the Free School Meals if they prefer not to.

In order to apply for FSM, please visit the link: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Pupil Premium is targeted funding and we must be able to demonstrate to the Government how the funding is used to benefit the learners and the school. There is an annual report available on our website which provides information detailing how the funding is being used to enhance learning.

Many thanks for your help in ensuring that our Pupil Premium register is accurate and that all eligible learners benefit from the additional funding to which they are entitled. Should you have any further questions, please contact Miss Stacey Lockett via email: sloket@honywoodschoo.com

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stacey Lockett', written in a cursive style.

Miss Stacey Lockett
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