

## Pupil Premium

The Pupil Premium gives schools extra funding to raise the attainment of certain groups of pupils from reception to year 11. In order to receive this additional funding, we are required to provide information to the Department for Education confirming which children meet the government criteria. **If you think that we may not already have this information, please contact Mrs Crowe, Office Manager, at the college, so that we can check whether your child is eligible for additional funding under any of the following 4 headings.**

### 1. **All children eligible for free school meals in the last 6 years**

If your child is eligible for free school meals or has been in the last 6 years this will generate pupil premium funding for your child's school. To be eligible for free school meals you must be in receipt of the appropriate benefits and have submitted an application for free school meals to the Local Authority Benefits Team.

If you qualify for the appropriate benefits but have chosen not to apply for free school meals please consider applying. You do not have to take up the free school meal to attract the funding for your child's school. Free school meals cannot be backdated so you should only apply if you currently qualify. Claims can be made by calling the Benefits Team on 01429 284188.

### 2. **Children that are adopted or leave care under a Special Guardianship Order or a Residence Order**

From April 2014, schools in England can receive the Pupil Premium for children adopted from care, or who left care under a Special Guardianship Order. Schools can also claim for children who left care under a Residence Order.

It is up to those with parental responsibility to decide if they wish the school to know whether their child is adopted, or is under a special guardianship order or residence order. If you would like to enable us to claim this premium, you will need to inform us about your child and provide supporting evidence, for example, provide the original Adoption (Court) Order.

### 3. **Children who have been looked after for 1 day or more**

Additional pupil premium funding is available to schools for children who have been in care for 1 day or more. The Local Authority provides this information to the Department for Education.

### 4. **Service Pupil Premium (SPP)**

The Service Premium gives schools extra funding to support children and young people with parents in the armed forces. Pupils attract the premium if they meet the following criteria:

- One of their parents is serving in the regular armed forces

- One of their parents served in the regular armed forces in the last 3 years
- One of their parents died while serving in the armed forces and the pupil is in receipt of a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS) and the War Pensions Scheme (WPS).

If your child meets one of the above Service Premium criteria please let us know as this will enable us to claim this additional funding. Schools will only be able to claim the SPP if the parents of those eligible children declare their child's service status to their school Head Teacher.

Please help us to maximise the amount of Pupil Premium the school receives by getting in touch with Mrs Crowe, Office Manager, if you feel your child meets any of the above criteria and we may not already be aware of the circumstances under which they are eligible. Full details of how we spend our Pupil Premium can be viewed on our website [www.htcs.org.uk](http://www.htcs.org.uk).

Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Crowe if you have any further questions or doubts about eligibility.