

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

WHAT IS PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING?

£ The pupil premium grant is funding provided to schools to help all pupils reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation. Pupils may be eligible if they are registered to receive a free school meal. If your child is eligible, they will receive this funding for the next 6 years. Therefore, this extra funding could make a huge difference as we can provide extra resources in school that would benefit your child. Pupils may also be eligible if they are, or have been, in care or if one or both parents are in the armed services.

HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILD IS ENTITLED TO PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING?



Your child is eligible for a Free School Meal if you or your partner is receiving one of the below criteria:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

Did you know that our school could be missing out on an additional £1500 of funding that could benefit your child?



HOW WILL IT BENEFIT MY CHILD?



Funding can be used in a variety of ways to support your child's learning at Verwood CE First School and Nursery:

- Additional adult support in school
- Curriculum enrichment activities
- Learning resources
- Pastoral and emotional support
- Support to access an extra-curricular activity
- Support towards payment of school trips and school uniform

But my child already receives a Free School Meal!

All children in KS1 are entitled to a free school meal, regardless of whether they meet the Pupil Premium requirements. The school can still receive additional funding to support their education. Children in KS2 can also receive hot school meals if they are eligible. Even if your child chooses to eat a packed lunch, they can still benefit from the Pupil Premium funding through the other support available.

If you think your child may be eligible for this funding, please complete the form using the link below to check if you are able to claim.

<https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/initiolearning>

Alternatively, please chat with Mrs Nesbitt or the school office staff if you have any queries.

What should I do next?

