



## **PUPIL PREMIUM**

**Did you know that registering your child for 'Pupil Premium' means that our school is able to claim funding to provide extra resources for your child?**

**This money can make a big difference to your child's education and we use it provide extra resources and support that we would not otherwise be able to afford.**

### **What is Pupil Premium?**

'Pupil Premium' funding is an extra amount of money paid direct to the school from the government for every child, who meets any of the following criteria:

1. Pupils eligible for a Free School Meal

Children whose parents may be eligible to claim for Free School Meals:

Since September 2014 all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have been entitled to receive a Free School Meal every day. However, if you get any of the benefits below you can register your child for free school meals which will provide the school with much needed funds. **We don't get this funding if you don't apply.** Registration is confidential and it will not affect any other benefits you are claiming.

You can register your child for free school meals if you are entitled to any of these benefits:

- Income Support
  - Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
  - Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
  - Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
  - The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
  - Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
  - Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
  - Universal Credit – if you apply on or after 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
2. Children adopted from care, along with children who left care under a Residence Order on or after 14 October 1991, and those that left care under a Special Guardianship Order on or after 30 December 2005.

3. Pupils of currently serving armed forces personnel; those who have had parent in the armed forces who has died in service and those who have a parent who left the armed forces for up to a maximum of 6 years.

### **How can parents/carers apply?**

You can apply for 'Free School Meals' by one of the following methods:

Online <http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>

By phone via the Customer Service Centre 01926 359189

To complete an application you will need to provide:

- Your own name and date of birth
- Contact details
- National Insurance Number or National Asylum Seekers Number
- Child's name and date of birth
- Our school name

Children adopted from care and children with a parent in the armed forces:

Please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Oustayiannis, Headteacher, if your child has been adopted from care or if a parent is in or has been in the armed forces (see above).

### **Additional benefits we offer families whose child(ren) are eligible**

At Telford Infant School we also use the grant to pay for the following for eligible children:

- £50 towards school uniform to be spent at any time during the academic year. We will purchase these on your behalf from the online School Uniform Shop.
- All learning visits (trips)
- Free school milk (which is normally chargeable when a child reaches 5 years old)

We are aware that there may be families in school who could be eligible but who have not applied for a range of reasons. The Pupil Premium money could make a big difference to your child. We ask that you help us to help your child by ensuring that you have checked to see if you are eligible for the Pupil Premium.

**If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us:**

**\*Your child's class teacher**

**\* Mrs Macfarlane our School Business Manager (based in our main school office)**

**\* Mrs Oustayiannis our Headteacher**

**All matters related to Pupil Premium are treated in complete confidence.**