

Pupil and Service Children Premium Information Report February 2013

What is the Pupil and Service Children Premium?

The **Pupil Premium** was introduced in April 2011 and is allocated to children from low-income families who are currently known to be eligible for free school meals (FSM) and children who have been looked after continuously for more than six months. Currently, for each FSM pupil and looked after child, a school receives **£623** and this increases to **£900** as from 1st April 2013. Since 2012-13 the Government has widened the coverage of the Premium to include those eligible for FSM at any point in the last six years (known as the Ever 6 FSM measure). The funding is intended to raise achievement and improve outcomes for these children. **See below if you think you may be eligible for registering your child for this funding.**

The **Service Children Premium** is intended to support children’s emotional and social well-being. The Ministry of Defence has recently announced that the Service Children Premium will be extended to include children whose parent has left the service up to three years ago, known as Ever 3. Please inform the school if one parent is in the services or has been in the last three years.

Schools are free to spend the Pupil and Service Children Premium as they see fit, since it is recognized that they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils within their responsibility. From September 2012, schools have been required to publish information about how they have used the Premium and the impact it has had. This is to ensure that parents and others are fully aware of the attainment of pupils covered by the Premium. The information should include:

- The level of pupil premium funding received by the school in the current academic year and levels of funding received in previous academic years
- How the school has spent the pupil premium and why it has decided to spend it in the way it has
- Any differences made to the learning and progress of pupils eligible for the pupil premium as shown by performance data and evidence.

What funding has Western Downland Primary school received?

| Financial Year | No. of pupils qualifying | Amount per pupil | Total Amount | as % of main budget allocation |
|---|--------------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|
| 2011/2012 | | | | |
| Free School Meals/Looked After Children | 7 | £488 | £3,416 | 0.54% |
| Service Children | 5 | £200 | £1,000 | 0.16% |
| Total | | | £4,416 | |
| 2012/2013 | | | | |
| Free School Meals/Looked After Children | 11* | £623 | £6,853 | 1.10% |
| Service Children | 5 | £250 | £1,250 | 0.20% |
| Total | | | £8,103 | |

* Note:

Criteria changed to include all children eligible for FSM in the last six years

How has our school used the funding to raise achievement and improve outcomes for children?

In **2011-12**, Western Downland CE (Aided) Primary School received **£4,416** for Pupil and Service Children Premium. Other funding was added to this to ensure that we could support **all** of our most disadvantaged pupils.

| Funding strategy | Aim | Cost | Impact |
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| Support of Emotional Literacy Support Worker Costs.- particularly training. | To ensure that there is an Emotional Literacy Support Worker on each school site receiving current training to meet emotional needs of vulnerable children. | £ 830 | Children with emotional vulnerability have access to an ELSA at each site. |
| Purchase of the Tracking System <i>Targsats</i> to monitor pupil attainment and progress across the school. Staff training/consultancy regarding use of new tracking system. | To introduce an online pupil progress tracking system enabling us to ensure that ALL children are making required progress, identify those in need of support or challenge and accurately set targets based on children's attainment. | <i>System</i> £300 <i>Set up</i> £380 <i>Training</i> £450 | More accurate tracking of identified groups and individuals, leading to more rapid response to underachievement. |
| Focussed Staff Professional Development to ensure quality provision of appropriate interventions for underachieving children in maths: i.e. <i>1st class @number</i> programme. (Training 2 staff) | To introduce a programme with a known and proven positive impact on children's progress in maths. | £1050 | Identified groups of children undertaking programme @ KS1 have made increased rate of progress. |
| Curriculum enhancement e.g. educational visit support. | Funding has been used to ensure that ALL pupils are able to take part in educational visits regardless of their parents' ability to contribute to the cost. | £400 | All children have been given the opportunity to enjoy educational visits. |
| Additional Educational Psychologist support. To provide support of individual pupils and to train staff in specific areas of intervention. | To use Ed Psych expertise to help develop highly focussed and appropriate intervention both through individual pupil analysis/observation and staff training. | £1500 | Improved progress for children receiving focussed intervention. Intervention programmes are now more varied and specifically tailored to children's needs. |

Are you eligible for Free School meals?

You can now check your eligibility for FSM. There is a self-service option available at www.hants.gov.uk/caterers/hc3s-freeschoolmeals

For this online service, all you need to do is enter your name, National Insurance number or Asylum number, address and your child's details. Then press *submit* and find out if you are eligible. If the results come back *found*, this means your child is eligible for FSM and the system automatically tells the school. You no longer have to find the paperwork and go into school to get it checked. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you would like further advice.

