

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Pupil Premium and Free School Meals**

If your child is eligible and registered for 'Free School Meals' school will receive extra funding called 'Pupil Premium.' This money is used by school to provide extra educational resources and experiences such as iPads, reading books, school trips and mental health interventions.

### What is Pupil Premium funding?

'Pupil Premium' is a government fund designed to help pupils reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation. It's provided for pupils in certain circumstances; the primary reason is registration for Free School Meals (FSM).

At our academy, we receive an **extra £1,455** for every eligible pupil who is registered for Free School Meals. This extra money makes a real difference to the children attending our school.

## Is my Child Eligible for Free School Meals?

Your child may be eligible if you access:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or 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
- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)

## Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM)

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 they will receive a free school meal already due to a different government fund. However, if your child meets the criteria above, please register as otherwise school will not receive the extra Pupil Premium Funding.

NB: Your child does not have to eat the school dinner if you would rather they had a packed lunch.

### **How do I register?**

To register, please use the link below.

If you need any support, please contact our Family Support Team for assistance on 0161 260 0622

# Oldham Free School Meals Sign Up

# More information

For more information about pupil premium go to our website, which contains details of how the pupil premium has been spent in the past academic year and how it will be spent this year.

Yours sincerely,

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