A Parent's Guide to Pupil Premium Funding

What is the Pupil Premium?

The Pupil Premium was introduced in 2011. It is additional funding the Government provides to schools for each student identified to be in need of financial assistance to support their education. The school will work with Parents and Guardians to identify the needs of the child. Ultimately, it is the school's responsibility to decide how the Pupil Premium should be spent.

Why has the Government provided Pupil Premium funding?

The aim of the Pupil Premium is to reduce the barriers to learning entitled families may face, to help schools provide children with the extra support and opportunities that will help them to achieve an enriching and successful education.

Is my child entitled to Pupil Premium funding?

If your child is currently registered for Free School Meals (FSM), or has been in receipt of Free School Meals at any point in the last six years, if your child has been in care or is 'Looked After' they are eligible for Pupil Premium funding.

How do I register for Free School Meals?

To find out if you are eligible for Free School Meals use this web link

Apply for free school meals - GOV.UK

Is my child entitled to the Service Premium funding?

Your child will be entitled to the Service Premium funding if you are a parent currently serving in the armed services and supporting your family, a child with a parent who has died whilst serving in the armed services and those who have a parent who has left the armed services since April 2011. Unlike the Pupil Premium, this funding is not solely for raising attainment but for providing additional (mainly pastoral) support. To be eligible, the parent must be supporting their family, so where they are separated or divorced a student will not be eligible.

How will English Martyrs' spend the Pupil Premium funding?

English Martyr's Catholic School will spend the Pupil Premium funding to benefit those children most in need of support to ensure they are able to access the full curriculum school has to offer and enjoy a successful and fulfilling education. For more details on how we spend the Pupil Premium funding use this web link.

How is English Martyrs' held accountable for spending the Pupil Premium?

The school Governors hold the school to account to ensure we are spending the Pupil Premium appropriately in the area which have the most effective impact. This is reviewed annually by the St Thomas Aquinas Multi Academy Trust.

Who should I contact for more information?

Mr Manger is the Lead Teacher for Pupil Premium at English Martyrs'. His job is to monitor and support those students eligible for the Pupil Premium. You can contact him via e-mail or phone by contacting the school office. If you wish to find out more about registering your child for Free School Meals, you can contact our Operations Manger, Mrs Harper, also via the school office. e-mail: office@englishmartyrs.org Tel: 0116 242888