# Pupil Premium Information For Parents

Don't let your child miss out.

Did you know extra money could be available to help your child's learning and development?



## Do you qualify for Free School Meals?

Do you receive any of these benefits? Your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- 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 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

#### How to apply

Email: education\_benefits@sandwell.gov.uk Telephone - 0121 569 8186 or 8189 Or contact Mrs Pickett

### What is pupil premium?

The Pupil Premium is extra government money which is paid to schools to support children's learning and development.

Our school can choose how to best spend the Pupil Premium money and we will work with families to ensure your child benefits from the extra funding.

Schools receive money for each pupil of compulsory school age who fits the eligibility criteria. There are four categories of eligibility for Primary aged pupils, with different amounts of funding attached:

- Pupils in year groups EYFS to Y6 who are in receipt of Free School Meals. (£1,320)
- Pupils deemed as 'Looked After Children', ie those in the care of the Local Authority (£1,900)
- Pupils previously cared for by the Local Authority (£1,900)
- Pupils with parents in the regular armed forces (£300).

#### EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2

If your child is in EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2 they are entitled to a hot free school meal everyday as part of the national Universal Free School Meals Scheme.

Even if your child is in EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2, it is important that if you receive a qualifying benefit you still register for free school meals under the eligibility scheme. This means the school receives extra money to help with their education.