

## Pupil Premium

In 2011 - 2012 the Government launched its Pupil Premium funding. This money is sent to schools based on the numbers of pupils in the school who are eligible for Free School Meals (FSM).

Parents/carers who receive any of the following are entitled to free school meals (even though they may not wish to take this up) and therefore to Pupil Premium.

- Income Support (IS)
- Employment Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Income-based Job Seekers Allowance (IBJSA)
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit, with an
- Annual taxable income (as assessed by HMRC) of less than £16,190

If you think you may qualify, please either ask for a form in the school office or apply directly on the Somerset County Council website (<http://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-learning-and-schools/school-life/free-school-meals/>).

We would like to remind you that:

- Registering is confidential
- Taking up the meal is recommended but is not compulsory
- A child may receive additional help as a result of being registered, for example help with the cost of music lessons or school trips
- Registering a child for free school meals will bring more money to their school

The money is allocated to initiatives to ensure pupils reach their full potential, both academically and socially.

**April 2017 - March 2018** the school received £3,960 in Pupil Premium funding for 3 children.

This money is being used to help provide for the following initiatives:

- Small group tuition with a Teaching Assistant: to help the children reach their full potential in literacy and numeracy.
- Funding places on school trips: to enhance the curriculum and ensure the children are able to participate and to give children the opportunity to experience new and challenging activities.
- Additional Teaching Assistant time within classes to help the children thrive and provide targeted interventions.
- Small group music tuition to support a child with musical ability fulfil their potential

If your child does not have Free School Meals, but may be eligible because of your family's income level, please contact the school office (in confidence) to register them. Even if you do not wish them to have meals, this would mean the school could still claim Pupil Premium funding that could be used to help your child.

**Due to the small number of children who qualify for Pupil Premium at our school if we were to publish the impact of the initiatives it could mean the children could be identified.**

## Sports Grant

### Overview

The Government is providing additional funding to improve provision of physical education (PE and sport in primary schools.) This funding - provided jointly by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport - will be allocated to primary school head teachers. This funding is ring-fenced and therefore can only be spent on provision of PE and sport in schools.

### **April 2017 - March 2018 (£8,605)**

This money is being used to help provide for the following initiatives:

Expenditure	Impact
Pay for transport to sports fixtures e.g. CLP Sports Festivals at The Blue School, Wells.	All children have been able to participate in a wider range of sporting activities such as Zumba than the school is able to offer by travelling to the local secondary school. This has impacted on children's PE skills, increasing their ability. A result has been a very successful year for sport with the school winning the netball, tag rugby and hockey tournaments played against other local schools.
We have purchased new lunchtime equipment	Lunchtime staff now have a range of equipment to use with the children promoting positive play. This has increased social skills such as turn taking. Children are developing better gross and fine motor skills and as a result there have been a decline of behaviour issues at lunchtime.
We have purchased new equipment for PE lessons and after school clubs	The specialist sports coaches have the appropriate equipment to use when teaching children. This has ensured children are able to make progress in acquiring new skills. The number of children participating in after school sporting clubs is large - 77% of children have attended at least one after school sports club this year.
We have provided training for lunchtime supervisors in a range of activities	Lunchtime staff are able to provide a quality play experience at lunchtime. Consequently, behaviour problems have lessened and children are active for more of the time.
To provide training for teachers to enable them to teach swimming	Teachers are skilled in teaching swimming thereby increasing the children's progress and keeping them safe around water. No child has left the school unable to swim in the last 3 years.