



Long Marston VA C of E Primary School



**Would you like a guaranteed FREE club place?
Would you like support with the cost of trips and
activities in school?**

**If you qualify for 'Pupil Premium' Free School Meals then the
school can easily help with both!**

What is Pupil Premium?

The Pupil Premium is the name of the fund given directly to school to support children who are in receipt of Free School Meals (benefit related), Looked After Children who are in public care, or children whose parents are members of the armed forces.

In 2022/23 all schools will receive up to **£1345** for each child covered by Pupil Premium.

These funds are in addition to the main school budget and are allocated on the basis of the number of children who qualify for Pupil Premium assistance.

Pupil Premium is awarded to pupils only if their parents have applied.

How do the school use the funds?

- FREE club places are allocated to one of our many after or before school clubs
- Financial support is provided for trips and in school activities when needed
- Teaching assistants are provided in each class to support the needs of Pupil Premium pupils
- Additional teaching assistant support is provided to ensure Pupil Premium children achieve their full potential
- Intensive tracking and monitoring by the INCo and Headteacher of each Pupil Premium child.
- Dedicated support from INCo when needed

Applying for 'Pupil Premium' Free School Meals?

You can register your child for Pupil Premium if you get any of these benefits:

- 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 Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (as long as you're not entitled to Working Tax Credit and you don't get more than £16,190 a year)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit (with annual earned income of no more than £7,400 after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Avoid the confusion...

All Infant children are entitled to a free school meal whether benefited related or not. This is called "Universal Infant Free School Meals" (UiFSM). This does not include junior children.

Pupil Premium Free School Meals are **based on your financial position**. They come with a free school meal (Infant and Junior), free milk (Infant) and the other additional benefits.

Don't Miss Out!

The School Office will be pleased to help process your application to see if you qualify should you wish. **This will only take five minutes** - all you need is your National Insurance number, your full name and your date of birth.

Alternatively visit the website www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals to apply.