

TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL

LOVING LEARNING

Every child to be an inquisitive, resilient and successful learner who is eager for their next challenge.



PUPIL PREMIUM GRANT

Did you know that registering your child for 'Pupil Premium' means that our school is able to claim funding to provide extra resources for your child? This money can make a huge difference to your child's education and we use it provide additional support that we would not otherwise be able to afford.

What is Pupil Premium?

'Pupil Premium' funding is an extra amount of money paid direct to the school from the government for every child, who meets any of the following criteria:

Benefits related Free School Meals – Pupil Premium

Since September 2014 all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have been entitled to receive a Free School Meal every day. However, if you get any of the benefits below you can register your child for 'free school meals' which provides the school with much needed funds and your child with additional support. We don't get this funding for your child if you don't apply. Registration is confidential and it will not affect any other benefits you are claiming. Families who receive the following are eligible for the Pupil Premium grant:

- 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 - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Pupil Premium Plus - Children adopted from care, along with children who left care under a Residence Order on or after 14 October 1991, and those that left care under a Special Guardianship Order on or after 30 December 2005.

Services Premium - Pupils of armed forces personnel - children are eligible for the Services Pupil Premium Grant when:

- One of their parents is serving in the regular armed forces (including pupils with a parent who is on full commitment as part of the full-time reserve service)
- They have been registered as a 'Service child' on a school census in the past six years
- One of their parents died whilst serving in the armed forces and the pupil receives a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme or the War Pensions Scheme
- One of their parents is in the armed forces of another nation and is stationed in England

How can parents/carers apply?

You can apply for **Benefits related Free School Meals** by one of the following methods:

Online <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>

By phone via the Customer Service Centre 01926 359189

To complete an application you will need to provide:

- Your own name and date of birth
- Contact details
- National Insurance Number or National Asylum Seekers Number
- Child's name and date of birth
- Our school name



Please note that in order to get funding this academic year you will need to apply and your child be confirmed as eligible by the start of October so **please don't delay if you think you may be eligible**. We are happy to apply online for you if you need a helping hand with this, just contact the school office.

Children adopted from care and children with a parent in the armed forces:

Please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Oustayiannis, Headteacher, if your child has been adopted from care or if a parent is in or has been in the armed forces (see above).

Additional benefits for families whose child(ren) are eligible for benefits related Free School Meals:

At Telford Infant School we also use the grant to pay for the following for children eligible for benefits related Free School Meals:

- £30 towards school uniform to be spent at any time during the academic year. We will purchase these on your behalf from the online School Uniform Shop.
- All learning visits (trips)
- Free school milk (which is normally chargeable when a child reaches 5 years old)

Families of children eligible for benefits related Free School Meals can also access to free school holiday activities and food as part of the HAF scheme:

<https://searchout.warwickshire.gov.uk/holidays-activities-food-haf>

The Pupil Premium could make a huge difference to your child. We ask that you help us to help your child by ensuring that you have checked to see whether your child is eligible.

**If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact our School Business Manager, Mrs Sandy Madahar, in confidence.
Sandy can be contacted via the school office and is also authorised to issue local Food Bank Vouchers.**

All matters related to Pupil Premium are treated in complete confidence.