



Pupil Premium Grant

Each year the school receives allocated funding from the government known as the Pupil Premium Grant. The Secretary of State for Education lays down the terms and conditions on which assistance is given in relation to the pupil premium grant (PPG). The PPG provides funding for two policies:

- **Raising the attainment of disadvantaged pupils of all abilities to reach their potential.**
- **Supporting children and young people with parents in the regular armed forces.**

The 2018/19 PPG rates per pupil for those who are eligible are as follows:

- **Pupils in year groups, reception to year 6, recorded as Ever 6 Free School Meals, £1,320.**
- **Looked after children (LAC), defined in the Children's Act 1989 as one who is in the care or provided with accommodation by an English Local Authority, £2,300**
- **Children who have ceased to be looked after by a local authority in England and Wales because of adoption, a special guardianship order, a child arrangements order of a residence order, £2,300**
- **Pupils in year groups reception to year 11, recorded as Ever 6 Service child or in receipt of child pension from the Ministry of Defence, £300.**

It will be the decision of the school on how this funding is used and the Education and Skills Funding agency (ESFA) states that the PPG can be spent in the following ways:

- **for the purposes of the school, that is for the educational benefit of pupils registered at that school**
- **for the benefit of pupils registered at other maintained schools or academies**
- **on community facilities; for example, services whose provision furthers any charitable purposes for the benefits of pupils at the school or their families, or people who live or work in the locality in which the school is situated**

The PPG does not have to be completely spent by schools in the financial year beginning 1 April 2017, some or all of it may be carried forward to future financial years.

At Blue Coat C.E. Federation we use the PPG to benefit the pupils not just academically but also to enrich the pupils to promote self-esteem and well-being. Some of our successful uses of the PPG are as follows:

- **Targeted one to one support, during and after curriculum time.**
- **Targeted group support, during and after curriculum time.**

- **Allocation of funding to pay for enrichment opportunities, e.g. music, drama workshops and clubs.**
- **Visiting specialists and theatre groups.**
- **Some out of hours, extra-curricular opportunities.**

There are a range of other activities and support which are supplemented by the PPG fund to ensure equal access to the wider school life and clubs.

Accountability

The Government believes that head teachers and school leaders should decide how to use the Pupil Premium. They are held accountable for the decisions they make through:

- the performance tables which show the performance of disadvantaged pupils compared with their peers
- the new Ofsted inspection framework, under which inspectors focus on the attainment of pupil groups, in particular those who attract the Pupil Premium
- the new reports for parents that schools now have to publish online.