### **What is Pupil Premium?**

Pupil Premium is extra funding given to schools to help improve the education of children who may need additional support. This funding helps schools provide extra resources, support, and opportunities to ensure every child can succeed.

### Who is Eligible for Pupil Premium?

You may be eligible if your child:

- •Is registered for Free School Meals (FSM) or has been in the last 6 years (Ever 6 FSM). Whilst all children in Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to receive a free school meal under the Universal Free School Meal entitlement, parents and carers are strongly encouraged to complete a free school meal application form as each child eligible for a Free School Meal based upon parental income attracts a "Pupil Premium" for the School which is provided by Central Government.
- •Is a looked-after child or was previously looked-after by the local authority
- Has a parent serving in the regular armed forces

### Important:

Pupil Premium is different from nursery funding. Nursery funding supports early years education in nurseries, whereas Pupil Premium is additional funding for eligible children in school to help with their learning and development.

### **How Does Pupil Premium Help?**

Schools use Pupil Premium funding to:

- Provide extra teaching and learning support
- Offer after-school clubs and enrichment activities
- Support emotional wellbeing and behaviour
- Buy resources to help children learn better
- Provide targeted help for children who need it most



## How to Apply for Pupil Premium in Halton

To ensure your child's school receives Pupil Premium funding, you need to apply through Halton Borough Council.

### **Steps to Apply:**

- 1. Visit the Halton Council website:
  Go to Halton Borough Council Free
  School Meals page
- Check if you are eligible:
   Eligibility is based on your income and benefits status.
- 3. Complete the online application: Fill in the form with your details and your child's information.
- Submit your application:
   You will receive confirmation of your eligibility.
- Inform your child's school:
   Let the school office know once your application is successful so they can claim the funding.

### **Need Help?**

If you have questions or need assistance with the application, contact Halton Council's Education Benefits Team at:

**Phone:** 0151 511 7007

**Email:** 

education.benefits@halton.gov.uk

### Remember:

- Applying for Pupil Premium does not affect any other benefits you receive.
- You only need to apply once; the funding will continue as long as you remain eligible.
- Even if your child is in nursery,
   Pupil Premium is separate and applies when they start school.

## Together, we can help your child succeed!



For more information, please contact our school office.

Call - 01928 574544 Email -

enquiries@weston.halton. sch.uk

Call in to the office we can help if you need to use an ipad to apply.

# All About Pupil Premium



If you're child is eligible and how to apply.

