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Dear Parents

Pupil Premium for Adopted Children

This letter is being sent to all parents to ensure every adopted or child with a Special Guardianship or Residence Order can be identified to us and thus benefit from the support this premium can offer.

Please ignore this letter if your child is not adopted or subject to a Special Guardianship Order or a Residence Order.

Pupil Premium: Was your adopted child formally a 'looked after child' and adopted on or after 30 December 2005?

From April 2014, schools in England can receive the Pupil Premium Plus funding for children adopted from care, or who left care under a Special Guardianship Order on or after 30 December 2005. Schools can also claim the Pupil Premium Plus for children who left care under a Residence Order on or after 14 October 1991.

The Pupil Premium is to help schools raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the gap with theirs peers. It is paid to schools in respect of disadvantaged pupils in Reception to Year 11. The Government has extended the coverage of the Pupil Premium in recognition of the traumatic experiences many adopted children have endured in their early lives and realisation that their needs do not change overnight.

To enable us to claim the Pupil Premium, you will need to inform us about your child and provide supporting evidence, for example, show us the original Adoption (Court) Order.

You will need to self-declare before 16 January 2014 which is the date schools complete the annual School Census.

This will then trigger the payment of the Pupil Premium Plus to the school from April 2014. The funding will directly benefit these children and their learning and development.

Yours sincerely

Laura Cooper
Headteacher



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