## **Oak View Primary and Nursery School's**

## **Pupil Premium Offer**



The <u>pupil premium</u> is additional funding given to publicly funded schools in England to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the gap between them and their peers.

Pupil Premium funding is available to both mainstream and nonmainstream schools, such as special schools and pupil referral units. Schools have the freedom to spend the Premium, which is additional to the underlying schools budget, in a way they think will best support the raising of attainment for the most vulnerable pupils.

At Oak View, a targeted and strategic use of pupil premium funding supports us in achieving our vision:

- ♦ We ensure that teaching and learning opportunities meet the needs of all of the pupils.
- We ensure that appropriate provision is made for pupils who belong to vulnerable groups. This includes ensuring that the needs of socially disadvantaged pupils are adequately assessed and addressed.
- In making provision for disadvantaged pupils, we recognise that not all pupils who receive free school meals will be socially disadvantaged.
- We also recognise that not all pupils who are socially disadvantaged are registered or qualify for free school meals.
- We reserve the right to allocate the Pupil Premium funding to support any pupil or groups of pupils the school has legitimately identified as being socially disadvantaged. A majority of any group will be made up of FSM (free school meals) children.

Pupil Premium funding will be allocated following a needs analysis which will identify priority classes, groups or individuals. Limited funding and resources means that not all children receiving free school meals will be in receipt of pupil premium interventions at one time.









# Why should I apply?

#### What are the potential benefits for my child?

- ♦ Learning mentor
- ♦ Reading Club membership
- Contributions towards school uniform and afterschool clubs
- Contributions to Breakfast Club/ After School Club fees
- ♦ Extra support/challenge with learning
- ♦ English & math workbooks provided
- ♦ Loan of school laptop to support home learning

#### Other benefits:

- ♦ Support with raising attendance
- ♦ Social and emotional support

### What are the benefits for our school?

School receives additional funding based on the number of pupils registered as FSM. This contributes to staff training, additional staffing and various support packages and is nationally known as Pupil Premium Funding.

What if my child doesn't want others to know?

Other pupils will not know which families are being supported or which children are eligible. Staff will of course be sensitive and provide anonymity for pupils.

# How can I apply?

### <u>Universal Free School Meals for Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and Pupil Premium Funding</u>

The Government currently provide free school meals for children if they are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 under the Universal Infant Free School Meal Scheme.

If you receive any of the benefits listed below then our school could also receive additional funding to help children achieve more - this is called **Pupil Premium**. It takes **5 minutes** to register and in most cases HCC can tell you straightaway if your child can get free meals and milk at school. You will need to have your National Insurance number or Home Office number to hand when you apply. Please apply using the link below

https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (as long as you're not also 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). This includes those who had free school meals whilst on Universal Credit before 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 even if earnings are above that £7400 figure.

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll remain eligible until March 2023, or until they finish their current phase of schooling (primary or secondary), if that's after March 2023.