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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Pupil Premium Funding

The Government provide extra funding for schools to support any pupils who have been adopted and who have spent some time as a looked after child or for children of serving military personnel. The details are below:

Pupil Premium – Children previously looked after

The grant is available for pupils who are aged 4 and above in year groups reception to year 11, who are:

- previously looked-after children: pupils who were looked after by a local authority, adopted from state care from abroad or other state care immediately before being adopted,
- or who left local authority or other state care on a special guardianship order (SGO) or child arrangements order (CO) (previously known as a residence order).

To attract the Pupil Premium for adopted children, and those who are the subject of a SGO and CO, parents and guardians will need to inform the school about their child's circumstances and provide supporting evidence, for example, the Adoption (Court) Order or documentary evidence of their child's adopted from abroad status, in time for the school to record the child's status on the School Census due to be completed on **2nd October 2025**.

Further guidance is provided by the DfE (www.education.gov.uk) – it is important to note that: *'it will be up to those who have parental responsibility (adoptive parents, special guardians and carers of former looked after children on residence orders) to decide if they wish schools to know whether such children have been adopted or are under a special guardianship order or a residence order'*.

The additional funding of **£2,570** per eligible child will of course enable us to do even more to ensure these pupils are supported to achieve their potential.

Service Pupil Premium (SPP) – Service Child

Service Pupil Premium is additional funding provided by the government to support unique challenges faced by children of serving military personnel. Funding is intended to help schools offer extra pastoral support during challenging times such as parental deployment or transition.

Revised Entitlement (Formerly Marital Status) Personal Status Category Definitions Status

1. The definitions of Personal Status Category (PStat Cat) into which personnel are placed for the purpose of determining entitlements to benefits are described below.

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2. All personnel are to be placed into one of the following PStat Cats:

a. **PStat Cat 1.** Those in PStat Cat 1 will meet one of the following qualifying criteria:

(1) A legally married member of the Armed Forces, who lives with their spouse, or who would do so but for the exigencies of the Armed Forces.

(2) A member of the Armed Forces, who is registered in a civil partnership in accordance with the Civil Partnership Act 2004, or is in a civil partnership under an overseas scheme recognised under that Act, and who lives with their registered civil partner, or who would do so but for the exigencies of the Armed Forces.

b. **PStat Cat 2.** Those in PStat Cat 2 will meet one of the following qualifying criteria:

(1) A member of the Armed Forces who has parental responsibility within the terms of the Children Act 1989 for a child(ren) and who satisfies all of the following conditions:

(a) Can properly be regarded as the centre and prime mover in the life of the child(ren).

(b) Provides a home where they normally live with the child(ren) except where unable to do so for reasons attributable to their service in the Armed Forces.

(c) Provides, where the child(ren) is unable to care for itself, a child carer who can look after the child(ren) during their absences attributable to their service in the Armed Forces. The child carer must not be the other natural parent of the child(ren). The other natural parent should normally only have staying access to the child(ren) for an aggregate of 56 days in any 12 month period. Staying access greater than this may render the Service person ineligible for PStat Cat2 (these restrictions on access do not apply while on recognised Unaccompanied Duty).

The additional funding of **£350** per eligible child will enable us to do even more to ensure these pupils are supported to achieve their potential.

Please note: You are under no obligation to provide us with this information and we respect your right to keep your child's circumstances private. However, providing us with the details will allow us to access the additional funding.

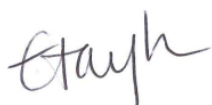
We will, of course, treat any information we receive with the utmost confidentiality.

If you would like to discuss this matter in confidence with the Head Teacher, please contact the school on 01924 326800 to make an appointment.

If you feel able to provide this information, please call into the school office with the relevant documents before 30th September 2025.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Yours sincerely



Miss E Taylor
Head Teacher