



PUPIL PREMIUM GRANT

What is the pupil premium?

The Pupil Premium provides additional funding on top of the main funding a school receives. It is targeted at students from disadvantaged backgrounds to ensure they benefit from the same opportunities as students from less deprived families. From September 2013, the premium will be worth £935 and goes to students who are currently in receipt of Free School Meals. Students in care, who have been looked after by local authorities also continue to qualify for the Pupil Premium. From 2012-13, the Government has extended its reach to cover any child that has been registered for Free School Meals (FSM) in the past six years (known as Ever6/E6). How the Pupil Premium is spent is monitored closely with all schools accountable for the impact of the money spent. At Burscough Priory we pride ourselves on utilising the Pupil Premium to support our students with a specific focus on Literacy, Transition (at all key stages) and Engagement, therefore maximising the life opportunities for all students.

Why is there a pupil premium?

Students who have been eligible for Free School Meals at any point in their school career have consistently lower educational attainment than those who have never been eligible. In 2009-10 GCSE statistics showed that around a third of students who have been on Free School Meals in the previous six years achieved five or more A* - C grades, compared to more than two thirds of their fellow students.

How many pupils at Burscough Priory Science College are eligible for the Pupil Premium?

Currently 15.70% of students at Burscough Priory Science College are eligible for the Pupil Premium

Who is entitled to Free School Meals?

From September 2014 all pupils in reception, year one or year two in primary schools will be entitled to free school meals.

For children in year three and above they could get free school meals if you get:

- Income Support (IS)
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA-IR)
- Income Based Jobseeker's Allowance (IB-JSA)
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit and are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and your annual income, as assessed by the Inland Revenue, does not exceed £16,190
- Working Tax Credit 'run on'- the payment you receive for a further four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Free school meals can save you hundreds of pounds a year. If you get free meals and your child has to go on work experience, you will be able to claim a refund for any lunches you have provided. Ask for details from the school.

Is there an issue with eligible pupils not applying for FSM?

In Lancashire there is an issue with parents not claiming Free School Meals and therefore the Pupil Premium entitlement is not available. Burscough Priory Science College together with Lancashire County Council are looking into ways to make this easier for parents and discretion is always paramount within school.

The PPG amounts were as follows:

Total number of students on role	694
Total number of students eligible for PPG	109
Amount of PPG received per student	£935
Total amount of PPG received in 2014/15	£101915

The PPG is spent in an integrated and targeted way to ensure that more entitled students receive the opportunity for additional support and access to an increased range of learning opportunities

Nature of support 2014/15	Curriculum/Teaching and Learning focus linked to School Improvement Plan	Expenditure (staffing with on costs)
Additional teachers recruited in core subjects to enable smaller teaching classes and thereby an enhanced focus on differentiation in lessons and improved opportunities for effective Assessment for Learning and improved feedback to students	Supporting students to achieve their target or aspiration grades across the curriculum.	English £25,000 Maths £25,000
Assistant Head in charge of tracking and intervention	Tracking and intervention for students who require the additional support	Staffing costs £7324
Small group tuition to overcome gaps in learning.	Nurture groups in key areas to support the development of literacy.	Staffing costs £9156
One to one tuition to overcome gaps in learning	One to one	Staffing costs £2137 + £2136
Development of drop down curriculum. Staff funding to support opportunities.		£2000 Duke of Edinburgh
Provision of resources, materials, equipment and uniform in exceptional hardship		£2,000
Rewards to raise literacy-books as prizes		£500
PIXL 11-16 and PIXL6		£5000
Attendance initiatives		£1750
External Coaching Fire man		£4700

My Maths funding/	Students have greater access to learning resources including home learning tasks and resources	£500
Texting service to improve engagement with parents		£500
Nurture Group		£250
Literacy Coordinator in post		£4267
Homework Club		£2000
Intervention weekend Anglesey		£1000
College courses health		£5000
Lucid and Lexia online testing		£1695

The effect on the attainment of Pupil Premium Pupils/Impact of the pupil premium on attainment and achievement

Measuring the impact of PPG spending.

The impact in educational attainment arising from expenditure of the 2013/14 PPG has contributed to improvements in attendance/attainment and exam success.

Whilst it is acknowledged that in a secondary school it is difficult to isolate the individual components that contribute towards a child's success the school is tracking individual progress regularly, with a particular focus on academic progress, improved attendance, improved behaviour and more subjectively in assessing individual students commitment to study, improved self-confidence and raised self-esteem and emotional well-being.

It is important for us that all parents/carers of students entitled to free school meals apply. Across the year this would gain the child approximately £400 of school dinners which is sensitively provided via the cashless catering system and enables the school to access additional school resources up to £900 / head.

Please do not let changing personal circumstances become a barrier to your child accessing a midday hot meal and additional support through the PPG.