

# Parsons Down Partnership of Schools

## PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING SPECIFIC FUNDING FOR YOUR CHILD

You will be pleased to know that the Government is continuing to fund schools to help specific children, with their education, through 'Pupil Premium Funding'. **For every child who is registered for Free School Meals (or has ever been registered for Free School Meals during their time at Parsons Down)** our school receives a fixed sum to assist pupils with their education. You, as a parent/carer, can also receive financial support towards paying for school trips and activities, school uniform, extracurricular activities, reading books... the list goes on.

If your child attends the Infants, please **do not** get this confused with Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM). Each child automatically receives a 'free' school meal in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 but this **does not** mean that your child is registered for Free School Meals, so please double check if you qualify for additional Pupil Premium Funding.

If your child is already registered or has previously been eligible for Free School Meals, we will already be receiving this funding for them. Please come and enquire to see how we can help you if you are unsure.

### Do you Qualify ?

Your child might be able to receive Free School Meals if you are entitled to the any of the following:-

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' – the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

If you have answered **YES** to any of the above please act **NOW**.

Registering is really quick and easy – if you think you qualify, phone 503090 and someone will help you to register or you can apply on-line at [www.westberks.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.westberks.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals) .

No one will know you have registered and it will not affect any other benefits.

**Come and talk to us if you need further clarification**

