



# SALENDINE NOOK HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMY

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Dear Parent / Carer

You may already be aware that the government started an initiative where schools are given extra funding to spend on the education of young people who are or have been eligible for free school meals within the past six years. The name given to this is Pupil Premium.

Children who are adopted from care are also eligible for extra funding. Parents of school age adopted children living in England who would like their child's school to benefit from Pupil Premium will need to self-declare by 15 January 2015 if they've not done so already. To enable us to claim the pupil premium, you will need to inform us about your child and provide supporting evidence, for example, show the school the original Adoption (Court) Order. Please get in touch with me at school if you need any help or advice with this process.

Like other schools, we are in receipt of this funding and I am writing to let you know about some of the ways your child will be able to benefit from this funding.

The money has to be spent on improving attainment outcomes, i.e. things which will help your child get higher grades. It is not designed to be spent on things like Ski Trips (sadly!) but instead on staff training, extra members of staff, specific small group work and other interventions which mean that if a child is falling behind we can pull out all the stops to ensure that they catch up again.

Statistics tell us that nationally, students who are eligible for free school meals don't perform as well in their exams as students who are not eligible. Of course, this may not be the case for your child. At Salendine Nook High School we are committed to ensuring that all students reach their potential; this means that some students will benefit from tailor made support packages.

If you are left with any questions after reading this letter, please have a look at the Pupil Premium area on our website where a precise breakdown of the spending can be found. If you have any other questions please telephone or email and I will be happy to make an appointment where we can talk this through in more detail.

Yours sincerely

Miss N Stevenson  
Intervention Coordinator

