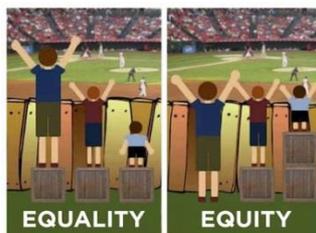


# Pupil Premium Funding @ Walter Infant School

*'To be the best I can be'*



**Walter Infant School is an equitable, safe, secure and happy place to learn; our children grow as individuals in a stimulating and exciting environment which values respect, kindness, honesty, empathy and resilience**

## What is Pupil Premium funding?

Pupil Premium funding is allocated to schools by the Department of Education to increase social mobility and 'Diminish the Difference' in performance between pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds and their peers. Pupil Premium Funding was introduced in April 2011, the pupil premium is allocated to children who are looked after by the local authority, those who have been eligible for FSM at any point in the last six years (also known as Ever 6 FSM) and for children whose parents are currently serving in the armed forces. The purpose of Pupil Premium funding is to raise attainment, accelerate progress and fulfil the innate potential of all children. Schools receive funding for each financially disadvantaged pupil and can use the funding flexibly, with the best interests of eligible pupils at the fore. It is for the school to decide how to spend the Pupil Premium funding because they are best placed to assess what additional educational provision and support should be put in place to ensure maximum progress for all children in their care. All schools will be held accountable for how they have used the Pupil Premium funding and the impact it has had on the children's learning.

## Who is entitled to Pupil Premium Funding?

To be eligible at least one parent must be in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Universal credit
- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance • Child Tax Credit provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190.
- The Guarantee element of the State Pension Credit

Or:

- At least one parent was eligible for any of the above benefits in the last six years
- Children who are or have been looked after under local authority care
- Children from service families who receive a child pension from the Ministry of Defence.

For further details, please follow this link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pupil-premium-conditions-of-grant-2018-to-2019/pupil-premium-2018-to-2019-conditions-of-grant>

## Our aims at Walter Infant School

Pupil Premium (PP) at Walter Infant School is used in an equitable way to ensure the gap between the attainment and progress of vulnerable children and all children closes.

We aim to do this in a variety of ways to best meet the disparate needs of our children:

- To provide strong leadership for our teachers to ensure that all PP receive the support they need to make progress

- To provide small group and 1:1 teaching and learning from our Pupil Premium Champion
- To enhance the curriculum by providing resources and activities to move learning forward
- To provide financial support for uniform, extra-curricular clubs, school trips, school milk and any sponsored or fund raising events on an individual needs basis
- To provide a Teacher Premium Budget for teachers to access so that they can tailor the teaching and learning to meet the individual needs of the children they teach
- To provide access to a Family Support Worker and to fund sessions
- To provide access to an Educational Psychotherapist for children requiring additional emotional support
- To fund Canine Assisted Learning for our most vulnerable children.

### **Accessing the Pupil Premium at Walter Infant School**

Funding is allocated to the school on an annual basis. It is important that if you think your child is eligible for pupil premium support, you contact the school office for more information. Individual requests for financial support for school-based activities are considered by the Head Teacher. Requests can be made via the school office.

<https://www.walter.wokingham.sch.uk/website/forms/10187>