

## Pupil Premium Plus for children adopted from care

From April 2014 the government extended the Pupil Premium money received by schools to include any child adopted from care or who left care under a Special Guardianship Order on or after 30 December 2005. Schools can also claim Pupil Premium Plus for children who left care under a Residence Order on or after 14 October 1991.

This money can be used to help fund support programmes in school, as well as some more individual requests and needs.

The Pupil Premium helps schools raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the gap with their peers. It is paid to schools in respect of disadvantaged pupils in Reception to Year 11. The Government has extended the coverage of the Pupil Premium in recognition of the traumatic experiences many adopted children have endured in their early lives and a realisation that their needs do not change overnight.

To enable School to claim Pupil Premium Plus, families should inform us about their child and provide supporting evidence, e.g. the original Adoption (Court) Order. This self-declaration to School then triggers the payment of Pupil Premium Plus.

Please be assured that all information received regarding your child/children will be treated in the strictest confidence.

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