



# Monkhouse Primary Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Pupil Premium – Not Just a Free Dinner

Currently the percentage of pupils in our school in receipt of Pupil Premium is significantly below national figures. Outlined below for your information is an explanation of what Pupil Premium is, the benefits associated with it and how to apply if you think you may be eligible.

### Pupil Premium

#### **What is it?**

Pupil Premium is funding paid by the local authority/government directly to schools.

#### **What are the benefits?**

There are many benefits for both the child and the school which include:

- Additional funding to support learning, progress and overall achievement.
- Smaller booster group sessions.
- Support with learning and emotional needs through the purchase of extra internal resources.
- Optional Free School Meals (Reception – Year 6). Please note that Pupil Premium Free School Meals is not the same as Universal Infant Free School Meals which all children in Reception – Yr 2 are entitled to.
- Subsidised cost of uniform, educational visits, residential trips and music tuition.
- Supported access to school clubs.
- Household Support Funded Grants which provide grocery vouchers. The next release of these will be in June 2025 (£90 per family) and will be allocated to children in receipt of Pupil Premium Free School Meals as of 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025.

#### **How do I check eligibility for Pupil Premium?**

Your child may be eligible if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit – your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

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- The guaranteed element of state Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit 'run on' - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

For further information and to apply, please visit [Apply for free school meals - Lincolnshire County Council.](#)

If you have any additional questions relating to Pupil Premium, please contact a member of the school office either in person or via email at the following address [reply@monkshouse.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:reply@monkshouse.lincs.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely

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