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Dear Parent / Carer

I am writing to provide you regarding information about additional funding for your child. Our records indicate that we receive additional funding for your child through Pupil Premium funds from the government. This may be for a range of reasons including the following

- Your child is currently entitled to free school meals or has been at some point over the last 6 years
- You are currently guardian for a child in your care.
- One or more parents is, or has been, in the Armed Forces.

This additional funding available for your child is to benefit your child. The government has increased funding for Pupil Premium to £935 per pupil. This is additional funding that is used to support your child's education.

The funding will be used to support curriculum areas including activities and interventions to accelerate your child's progress in their studies. This includes Maths and English Interventions by dedicated staff which will support pupils at different times of the year. This year, every student in Year 7 who is eligible for the Pupil Premium will receive a scientific calculator to support them with their academic studies.

A detailed programme of extra-curricular and enrichment opportunities will be available before and after school to further support your child's progress. This will also allow your child to access reading materials and computer access in order to complete classwork, independent study and homework, providing an effective study environment for pupils supported by dedicated staff. In addition, support can be used to assist in the funding of educational visits and retreat opportunities.

We want to make sure that we are providing your child with the best education and support that we can. Pupils eligible for Pupil Premium have access to a free hot breakfast and drink each school day. This is available from 8am each morning in the dining hall. If your child is currently in receipt of Free School Meals, there have been some changes made to eligibility under Universal Credit. To find out more about these changes, please see the letter on the school website or request a copy from the school reception. If you don't currently claim for Free School Meals but think that you may be eligible, please contact the school reception for a letter.

Your child's progress will be monitored regularly in school and you will receive updates on their progress at least three times per year. In addition, some students will be involved in a range of mentoring programmes to provide individual support and their progress in school.

Should you have any other questions please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year to discuss their provision further, including the breakfast and study facilities, funding for educational visits or other areas where your child can be supported to fulfil their educational potential.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Rayner  
Headteacher

