

Dear Parent / Guardian

PUPIL PREMIUM

With school funding and its associated pressures regularly in the media I am keen to communicate information regarding one aspect of Liverpool College's funding, Pupil Premium.

The pupil premium is additional funding for publicly funded schools in England. It's designed to help disadvantaged pupils of all abilities perform better, and close the gap between them and their peers.

Consequently, the College receives an allowance for children in the categories of:

- 1) Deprivation
- 2) Adopted from Care (Previously Looked After)
- 3) Service Children

The College is required to identify how these funds will be deployed and we have developed a spending plan for the academic year ahead. This, along with the impact of last year's funding, can be found on our College website at www.liverpoolcollege.org.uk. Having considered the needs of our pupils the provisions have been developed to best serve those pupils on the list. There are currently 179 children on the list across the years from Reception in the Pre-Prep to Year 11 in the Senior School.

The names of the pupils who qualify for Pupil Premium are given to us by the Department for Education (unless the pupils are designated as Looked After Children in which case the respective local authority provides the funding). Liverpool College does not identify which pupils qualify. Inclusion on the pupil premium listing will not automatically entitle your child to free school meals. If you feel you are eligible for free school meals then you should make an application to your local authority.

The pupil premium allocation in the categories named above is an allocation to the school not your individual child. It is the responsibility of the school to spend and account for this spending.

The College, within its Pupil Premium Development and Spending Plan, has identified its priorities for the coming school year. Within that development plan there are a number of initiatives that you may apply for assistance with and these are as follows:

- **Continue to provide a comprehensive Activities Programme and enrichment opportunities within the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, Combined Cadet Force and sporting activities (e.g. Sports for Life and Active Soccer in the Prep school) to promote engagement in learning and leadership opportunities designed to build resilience**

It is expected that this will be achieved via an enhanced curriculum which will be available to all with the opportunity to take part in Combined Cadet Force (CCF), Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) award scheme, Sport, Drama and Music. The aim is enhanced resilience and leadership skills of PP pupils to improve both their progress and their attendance across all areas of the Liverpool College curriculum.

- **Ring-fenced fund to respond to Pupil Premium individual needs, particularly in access to cultural activities, IT infrastructure and other barriers to learning**

This will offer the provision of immediate support whenever necessary.

- **Provision of musical instruments and assistance with musical tuition for relevant pupils on the pupil premium list**

This will open up opportunities for children to receive music tuition and associated instruments

In respect of other Spending and Development Plan components the school will make an educational assessment and allocate resources accordingly whether this be through the use of teaching assistants, Inclusion Mentors, application of intervention strategies where pupils are struggling to cope, or other such support mechanisms.

Applications should be submitted on the attached application form. Submission of an application is not a confirmation that assistance will be granted but once considered you will be notified of the outcome.