



South Cave CE (VC) Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Help us to help your child do better at school

I am writing to you as a parent or carer of a child in foundation, year 1 or year 2. As I am sure you will know all pupils in these year groups are now able to receive a school meal at no extra cost.

While all children in these year groups will be receiving a free school meal, if you are on a low income our school can receive an additional £1,320 Pupil Premium Grant a year into our budget to help us support the children to do better in school. In order for us to claim this funding you need to be in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- receiving income support/income based job seekers allowance or income related employment and support allowance;
- entitled to child tax credit but **not** receiving working tax credit and your annual income must be below the threshold set by the government;
- receiving support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- receiving the guaranteed credit element of pension credit;
- entitled to the 4 week run on of working tax credit due to employment ending

If you are on one of these benefits you can check if your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant by completing the attached form. You can return it to the address on the form or if you drop it off here at school and we will send it through to the benefits team. You can also apply on-line by visiting www.eastriding.gov.uk/ppg. If you prefer, you can telephone the council's benefits team on (01482) 394799 and give them your name and date of birth, your National Insurance Number and your child's name, date of birth and the school they are or are going to attend. Once you have provided this information you will receive a letter telling you whether or not your child is eligible for the Grant. We will receive a copy of the letter so that if he or she is eligible we can claim this extra £1,320 directly from the government.

We can use this extra funding in different ways which may include employing additional staff to work with an individual child or with children in small groups. It may also pay for particular school activities or resources that will benefit the children concerned. If you want to know more please contact the school and ask to speak to someone about the Pupil Premium Grant.

I encourage you to consider whether or not your child may be eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant as I am sure you understand that this additional funding can make a real difference to your child's education and progress in our school.

Our funding for the next financial year will be determined by records available at the beginning of January. If you think your child may be eligible it is important to complete the form as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely
Mrs J Newby
Headteacher