

Chelmsford County High School for Girls



Pupils in receipt of Free School Meals and Pupil Premium Information for Parents

*Offering a world of opportunities for
children of all backgrounds, united by
their passion for learning and ambition to
succeed.*



Introduction

The **Pupil Premium** is a government scheme that was introduced in 2011 to improve the education of underprivileged children. It was launched after several research papers suggested that there was a significant gap between the educational performance of disadvantaged children and their classmates. In contrast to the rest of their classmates, many children who are eligible for pupil premium have to face extra challenges daily. These challenges can include attendance issues, lack of confidence and difficulty communicating with others.

The scheme aims to grant schools with extra funding so that they're able to provide additional support for children who are faced with these types of challenges. It's objective is to help schools unlock the learning potential of their pupils and provide them with a better education. It also aspires to narrow the gap of educational development between children of underprivileged backgrounds and their peers.

Who Qualifies for Pupil Premium?

Children can be eligible for the pupil premium for a variety of reasons. These include their family circumstances, such as their income or occupations, and whether or not they're in care. If a child is eligible, the school will receive the necessary amount of funding for each child per school year.

If your child has received free school meals, at ANY time during the past 6 years, they will be eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant. If in doubt, please ask your primary school teacher.

Who Qualifies for Free School Meals?

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Your child is eligible for free school meals if you're in receipt of one of the following benefits:

Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.00

Income Support

Income-based Jobseekers' Allowance

Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

The guarantee element of Pension Credit

Work Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

Please check if your child can get free school meals and find out how to apply on your Local Authority's website. We have included the link below:

www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

What CCHS offer to support your Child's Application...

This information is relevant to children in receipt of the Pupil Premium grant.

WE OFFER UP TO 30 EXTRA PLACES* FOR CHILDREN IN RECEIPT OF PUPIL PREMIUM, WHO LIVE AT A PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS WITHIN THE 12.5 MILES RADIUS.

*If their result in the CCHS Entrance Test falls in the top two bands of the test results.

Registration for the Entrance Test is completed online, should you not have access to a computer please contact the Admissions Office on 01245 352 592 and we can send a paper copy.

THE CCHS OPEN DAY IS ON THURSDAY 28TH APRIL
Help will be available at this event with completing your Entrance Test registration form.

We offer familiarisation work to help your daughter prepare for the Entrance Test.

Should your child attend one of the following primary schools, we will offer outreach work, including visits to talk about life in a grammar school.

- Barnes Farm Junior School
- Boreham Primary School
- Kings Road Primary School
- Larkrise Primary School
- Lawford Mead Primary School
- Maltese Road Primary School
- Meadgate Primary School
- Moulsham Junior School
- Parkwood Academy
- Springfield Primary School
- The Bishop's Primary School
- Trinity Road Primary School
- Westlands Community Primary School



Masterclass days and the CCHS Summer School will support your child's journey towards the Entrance Test.

ALL PARTS OF THE PROCESS ARE FREE AND GRAMMAR SCHOOLS ARE STATE SCHOOLS AND FULLY FUNDED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

What Support is offered if your child joins CCHS...

SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE TO ALL OF OUR STUDENTS, BUT SPECIFICALLY FOR CHILDREN IN RECEIPT OF PUPIL PREMIUM.

Please see below what we can offer your child:

- Financial support with school trips, including overseas curriculum related trips.
- Individual and small group extra tuition.
- Financial support to learn a musical instrument.
- Revision booklets, stationary and materials to support your child's learning.

Simmonds, our uniform supplier, have generously agreed to provide a uniform starter pack for any students who are in receipt of Pupil Premium. This will include the following:

- CCHS Jacket
- CCHS Jumper
- One twin pack of CCHS Blouses
- CCHS Kilt
- CCHS Hoodie



We will provide your child with a CCHS P.E. kit at no extra cost.

Please note that this information is used discreetly and other children will not be aware whether your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium or currently on Free School Meals.

Should you have any queries relating to Free School Meals or Pupil Premium please do not hesitate to contact the Admissions Office either by phone or email. Details below.



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