



Dear Parents and Carers,

WE'LL MEET AGAIN

It has been lovely to see some of you out and about on your daily exercise as you walk past the school; do give us a wave if you see us when passing.



We had planned to celebrate VE Day with you at school; but hope you are able to celebrate in your own way during the Bank Holiday weekend. This week's class newsletter has a special page to help you.

Please remember our phone lines and emails are still open to our families. All of you can ask us for help/assistance/support at any point that you may be feeling under increasing duress for any reason.

RETURNING TO SCHOOL

The front page of the papers have been frenzied with speculation about when schools might be open. I think the Nation is waiting with anticipation for some sort of announcement this weekend. However, please be assured we are already planning for our 'recovery phase' in regard to logistics, curriculum but most importantly the safety and confidence of all our pupils, parents and staff.

PUPIL PREMIUM (FREE SCHOOL MEAL ELIGIBILITY)

If your circumstances have changed please remember we are able to check your eligibility for Pupil Premium.

Pupil Premium is additional funding for publicly funded schools in England to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils of all abilities and to close the gaps between them and their peers. Schools receive Pupil Premium (£1,320 for pupils in reception to year 6 or £406 in nursery) for each pupil registered as eligible for free school meals (FSM) at any point in the last 6 years. In addition schools also receive £2,300 for any pupil identified in the January census as having left local-authority care as a result of one of the following:

- adoption
- a special guardianship order
- a child arrangements order (previously known as a residence order)
- who has been in local-authority care for 1 day or more
- recorded as both eligible for FSM in the last 6 years and as being looked after (or as having left local-authority care)

It is for the leadership of schools to decide how this funding will be best spent to support the achievement of these pupils.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance (IBJSA)
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190, as assessed by HMRC. NB If you receive Working Tax Credit you do NOT qualify even if you receive child tax credit and your income is below £16,190.
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Is your child a looked-after child (LAC)? i.e. in the care of, or provided with accommodation by an English local authority?
- Has your child ceased to be looked after by the local authority because of adoption, a special guardianship order, a child arrangements order or a residence order?
- Are either or both parents regular members of HM Forces and designated as personal category 1 or 2 (PStat Cat 1 or 2), in the armed forces of another nation and stationed in England or in receipt of a child pension from the Ministry of Defence?

How to apply

If you think that your child could be eligible for 'Pupil Premium'; please contact the School Office. You will need to provide your:

- Full Name
- Date of Birth
- National Insurance number

You will be asked to send an email confirming that you give permission for Ewell Grove to access the service that will verify the school's entitlement to claim.

Any information you share will be completely confidential and this will not affect any benefits you receive.

Enjoy the weather

and sunny Bank Holiday weekend