



Tolworth Girls' School & Sixth Form

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Dear Parent/Carer

Pupil Premium and Free School Meals

If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' and you register them for this, we will receive extra funding called 'pupil premium'. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school.

What is pupil premium funding?

Pupil premium funding from the government is given to schools to help students reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation. It is provided for students who:

- Are registered for free school meals
- Have been registered for free school meals at any point in the past 6 years
- Are, or have been, in care
- Have parents in the armed forces

At Tolworth Girls' School & Sixth Form, we get an extra £955.00 for every eligible student who is registered for free school meals. This extra money could make a real difference to the quality of education we offer.

For example, we have previously used pupil premium funding for:

- Educational provision/resources
- Providing laptops for online learning
- Revision guides and texts
- Academic and Pastoral interventions
- Small group and 1:1 learning support
- Wellbeing and self-esteem building interventions
- Support towards educational curriculum school trips and enrichment opportunities
- Attendance support and education welfare provision
- Careers guidance and support
- Breakfast and homework clubs
- Support with uniform provision
- Staff training and CPD

Is my child eligible for free school meals?

Your child might be eligible if you access:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190.00)
- Working Tax Credit run-on



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- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400.00 (£616.67 per month)

Does my child have to eat the free school meals?

No. Students who are registered for free school meals do not have to eat them. If you are eligible but you want your child to have packed lunches you should still register because the school will receive the funding which can support your child in other ways.

How do I register?

You only need to register once at the school.

To register, please:

Visit this website: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> where you will be able to enter your postcode to be directed to your local authority. The borough will then process an application and communicate by email if the application has been approved or rejected.

More information

For more information about pupil premium go to our website, which contains details of how the pupil premium has been spent in the past academic year and how it will be spent this year.

If you have any questions or specific concerns, please contact Miss Kelly via the school's main contact email: contacttheschool@tolworthgirlsschool.co.uk.

Yours faithfully



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Finance Manager

