

## **The Current Pupil Premium Types – Last updated by the DfE November 2014**

Pupil premium funding is additional money given to schools in England to raise the attainment of eligible pupils and narrow the gap between their attainment and their peers.

### **What are the eligibility criteria?**

For the **2015 to 2016 financial year** schools will receive:

- We are still awaiting advice for the DfE on the Service Premium from 2015, however it is likely to be the same as the 2014/15 allocation which was £300 for pupils in Year Groups R to 11 recorded as Ever 4 Service Child or in receipt of a child pension from the Ministry of Defence.
- £300 per disadvantaged nursery pupil aged 3 or 4 (Early Years Pupil Premium new from April 2015)
- £1,320 per pupil of primary-school age registered in the pupil census as eligible for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years
- £935 per pupil of secondary-school age registered in the pupil census as eligible for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years
- £1,900 per pupil where the parent self-declares their child's status to the school, providing supporting evidence (e.g. an adoption order) who:
  - has been looked after for 1 day or more
  - has been adopted from care (under the Adoption and Children Act 2002);
  - has left care under a special guardianship order (under the Children Act 1989);
  - has left care under a residence order (under the Children Act 1989);
  - has left care under a child arrangement order (under the Children Act 1989);

Schools will only receive their funding, where they have correctly recorded the pupil identifiers/data in SIMS which is then collected in the termly School Census, January 2015.

### **RAISEonline and Performance Tables – how they use the Pupil Premium in Their 2014 Data Reporting?**

#### **Disadvantaged group of pupils 05/11/2014**

- What constitutes a 'disadvantaged' child in RAISEonline?
- Why are children who are adopted from care, on special guardianship orders, residency orders or child arrangement orders and who qualify for the Pupil Premium, not been included in the disadvantaged group in the RAISEonline reports?

Answer from RAISEonline:

The definition for CLA Pupil Premium has changed to 'looked after for at least 1 day', and also now includes children adopted from care on or after 30 December 2005, or left in care under a special guardianship order or a residence order. This is the definition that will be used for the 2014-15 Pupil Premium funding arrangements.

For 2014, the Free School Meals eligible and Children Looked After data being published in RAISE are based on the same definition as previous years. The FSM pupils are those eligible for FSM at any time in the last 6 years (years R to 11) at the time of the January 2014 Census. The CLA are children continuously looked after for over 6 months, as taken from the LA returns in March 2014.

Thus, RAISEonline 2014 reports will continue to use last year's CLA definition, even though the DfE definition has changed to 'looked after for at least 1 day' for purpose of pupil premium. We understand that the DfE performance tables for 2014 will also use the 'old' definition.

RAISEonline will use the term 'disadvantaged pupils' in 2014 for the FSM6 and/or CLA group. So although children adopted from care are now included in the Pupil Premium arrangements, they are not currently included in the RAISEonline 'disadvantaged' group.