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Dear Parents/Carers

This letter is to give information about how we will use the Pupil Premium Grant this academic year for the benefit of our children. We have high aspirations for all our children and believe every child should be given the same opportunities as their peers.

The pupil premium funding is given to schools, (on the basis of current or past eligibility for free school meals), so that the school can give extra educational support to meet the needs of the children in our school. This will raise standards and attainment and make sure all children achieve at least as well as their peers.

In last year's results our pupil premium children did not achieve as well academically as we believe they could have done; in fact, their results were significantly below average. So now we need to change this situation. This year we are focusing the pupil premium money given to the school on raising standards, especially in literacy and maths for pupil premium children. We will spend it in ways which have been shown by research across the country to be most successful in improving the educational and personal success for children.

This means that the after school Premium Club will continue as last year and pupil premium resources will be spent on educational support and interventions which will improve learning for your children. We have already seen that the Premium Club and the new reading books have helped your children and led to improved English scores and enjoyment of reading.

This also means that with the governing board, we have decided that we can no longer use the grant to pay for trips, clubs and uniform as we cannot justify any educational impact from this usage.

Because we appreciate that this change may be a problem in the short term for some families, we will honour any trips for which we have already agreed to pay, such as the Year 6 residential trip in 2018.

Also, we appreciate that this change may be especially difficult for some families, and we are happy to discuss personal circumstances on an individual basis. We do however expect that parents/carers will make some contribution.

We are especially committed to raising standards for our pupil premium children and ask for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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