

Pupil Premium, FSM and financial hardship - 2020

Hello,

With these unprecedented, difficult and stressful times, many of you may have found yourselves looking at a new family dynamic. Within this comes the important theme of financial stability. We, as a community, are here to help in many ways, and together we can work through these challenges.

It may be that you are now looking at an uncertain financial future, and we want to inform and reassure you that Dene Magna and the education system have plans and schemes to help in many situations. One of these schemes is the Pupil Premium, which we at Dene Magna value and strive to champion in order to give all of our students and families the best chance at success. The Pupil Premium helps those families who have found themselves in a disadvantaged situation, and this recent pandemic may mean that this applies to you. The Pupil Premium also includes the provision of Free School Meals (FSM), which has always helped those in need and has been a lifeline during this current crisis.

We are writing to offer our support if you feel that your current circumstances mean that you may be eligible for the Pupil Premium and FSM scheme. On our website is information to register and to help you understand if you meet the eligibility criteria. This can be found by clicking on 'Pupil Premium' in the 'Parents' section. You can also check online on the government website - <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

We would also like to stress that any information shared in this process will remain entirely confidential, as we value everybody's privacy on what can be a delicate matter. However, we do not want any family to suffer in silence, so please do get in touch however you feel comfortable.

Kind regards,

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