

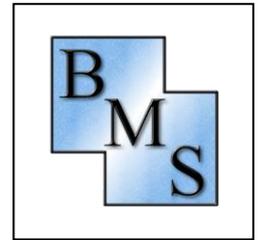


## **Broadstone Middle School**

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Dear Parents and Carers

### **Pupil Premium Funding**

I wrote to you in September to explain the changes to how we allocate Pupil Premium funding at Broadstone Middle School. As you may be aware, the government provides schools with additional funding for every pupil who is either currently in receipt of free school meals, or has been over the last six years. Like most schools we use this funding to provide additional staffing hours, extra provision and opportunities for pupils. We differ from many schools however, because we also allow you as parents to direct £125 of this funding to areas you feel are beneficial to your child. I know that many of you have used this funding for school trips and some have used this to purchase uniform. It has also been used to fund tuition outside of school as well as music lessons in school.

The reason for this letter is two-fold. Firstly I would like to remind you that the allocation for the year is **only** for this academic year – therefore if you have not spent your funding by July 1<sup>st</sup> it cannot be rolled into the next academic year. If you are planning to use the money at the end of the summer term to purchase new school uniform for next year please let us know so that we can assign it as uniform vouchers and that way you will not lose it.

The second reason for writing to you is to ask your views on this aspect of the funding plan. I am currently planning how to allocate the funds for next year and would like some feedback on how you feel having this ownership of the funding has helped your child's development. As a school we need to be able to show the impact of how we have spent the money – for this aspect of the funding I am asking if you can let me know the impact for you and your child. If it is something you feel is beneficial then we can look to continue this into next year.

I would appreciate your comments by March 24<sup>th</sup>.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Wilks  
Headteacher