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Dear Parent / Guardian

## **Pupil Premium**

I am writing to tell you that your child is on our Pupil Premium list and to explain what that means.

The government has allocated all schools a sum of money which is called the Pupil Premium. This is to improve the educational chances of students in particular personal circumstances. The three identified groups are: students who have been entitled to free school meals at any time in the past six years; students who have a parent who has worked for the armed services at any time in the past four years; children in local authority care and those adopted from care since 1 January 2006.

There is a whole variety of ways in which Pupil Premium students are supported at Maiden Erlegh.

They might receive:

- extra tuition in small groups or one to one
- specialist support for specific educational difficulties
- access to enrichment activities (including musical instrument lessons)
- access to mentoring
- support from a counsellor

Additionally, we have set aside a £100 Personal Allowance for each Pupil Premium child (£150 for each child who is Pupil Premium and currently eligible for Free School Meals) which is intended to help with buying uniform, equipment or paying for school trips. Any expense must be agreed in advance and a receipt provided.

Finally, we believe that every child should visit our **Outdoor Education Centre, Tirabad**, at least once in their school career. Therefore, we will fund one trip to Tirabad during your child's time at Maiden Erlegh School in Reading.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Miss C Burns Assistant Headteacher

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