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Dear parent/carer,

I am writing to make you aware of the funding available to school to support previously looked after children (PLAC).

School is able to apply for additional funding for pupils who were looked after by an English or Welsh local authority immediately before being adopted; or who left local authority care on a Special Guardianship Order or Child Arrangement Order (previously known as a Residence Order).

The funding is used to give this group of children the additional support they need. Children who have been adopted or placed in care may often experience grief or loss. Exposure to this kind of trauma can have a lasting impact on pupils and play a significant role in their emotional development. Access to the funding will enable us to provide support – assisting the children educationally and helping address their wider needs.

The funding can only be spent to benefit these pupils and must be used to improve their outcomes in the following areas:

- Academic achievement and progress
- Wider achievement, e.g. in an area that the child is academically more able in
- Attendance
- Inclusion, e.g. reducing fixed-term exclusions
- Social skills
- Transition, e.g. to a new key stage or learning provider

If your child meets the PLAC criteria and the school is unaware, notifying us could help your child receive the additional support that they are entitled to.



We respect confidentiality and understand the sensitive nature of any information passed. We can assure you that we will comply with our data protection responsibilities as set out in the GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018.

In order to keep the strictest confidentiality possible, we will accept notification in the way the parent or guardian feels most comfortable: via phone on 01925 763427, email using <u>Newchurch primary head@sch.warrington.gov.uk</u>, in writing or face-to-face.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us give our children the best support possible.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jayne Narraway

Headteacher

