



Neroche Community Primary School

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Service Pupil Premium

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Service Pupil Premium Information

The Department for Education introduced the Service Pupil Premium (SPP) in April 2011 in recognition of the specific challenges children from service families' face and as part of the commitment to delivering the armed forces covenant.

It is designed to assist schools in providing the additional support that these children may need. Schools receive approximately £300 per registered SPP eligible child so that they can offer mainly pastoral support during challenging times and to help mitigate the negative impact on service children of parental deployment. Parental deployment means that one or both Service parents are temporarily deployed for a fixed period of time away from their usual place of service employment.

The SPP is there for schools to provide mainly pastoral support for service children, whereas the Pupil Premium was introduced to raise attainment and accelerate progress within disadvantaged groups. Unlike Pupil Premium, SPP is not used to subsidise routine school activity (trips, music lessons etc.).

Each school has the freedom to spend the funds in ways that they decide will support children in receipt of Service Pupil Premium both at whole school and individual level. There is a statutory requirement for schools to report on the use of funds as a whole school not, on an individual child basis. Service Pupil Premium is reported on separately to Pupil Premium.

You as a parent do not receive the funds personally to spend on your child but we hope that this leaflet explains what you can expect at Neroche Community Primary School as our offer for a child in receipt of Services Pupil Premium. Please note this will differ from school to school.

Mrs Claire Eastwood the school's Pastoral Assistant Headteacher is the Service Pupil Premium Lead. As a school we subscribe and use The Little Troopers materials to support your child/ren.

If you would like any clarification please speak to me directly or email the school mailbox for my attention
sch.067@educ.somerset.gov.uk

Please remember to inform us of any deployments so we can support your child.

Best wishes

Ali Collins
Headteacher

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for a child in receipt of Service Pupil Premium (SPP)

Before a parent goes away on deployment:

- Each child will meet with Ms Beer to prepare a passport which will be shared with staff to record (how the child is feeling, where the parent is going, dates, ship/land based deployment etc) so staff can engage with the child across the whole school
- Ms Beer can meet with the parents to talk about the child's needs while the parent is away on deployment

When a parent is away on deployment:

- Each child will have regular meetings with Ms Beer/Mrs Poole to produce a scrapbook of school events and achievements which they will wrap as a gift to share with the parent on their return
- Passports will be shared with all staff ensuring they are aware of the change in circumstances for the child
- If the parent provides the school with the relevant details each child will be supported to send an INTOUCH mail sharing a message from school each week
- Each child will receive emotional support from their classroom adults at the start of each day as they arrive using a feelings board to share how they are feeling. This enables the adults to make supportive curriculum modifications and put in place additional pastoral support if needed
- If the child wants to they can display photographs of their deployed parent in the classroom alongside a map showing where they are
- If a child is finding learning challenging then Ms Beer will plan a specific intervention to support them and share this with the parents
- Each child can access the breakfast and after school club free of charge to support the change in family circumstance when a parent is deployed away from the home environment. **If you would like to use this please book sessions you require with the school office**

When the parent returns from deployment:

- Authorised absence will be granted if a parent is service personnel and is returning from a tour of duty abroad for a child to go and meet them
- Authorised holiday will be granted where it is evidenced the service personnel parent will not be in receipt of leave that coincides with school holidays
- If parental consultations have taken place in their absence the class teacher will arrange an additional appointment in lieu