

HMFA Service Pupil Premium Statement

The Service Pupil Premium is provided by the Department for Education for State schools, free schools and Academies in England who have children of Armed Forces personnel. The premium is currently £300 per child and is directly paid to the school to be used for the collective expenditure of additional and emotional support.

Hereford Marches Federation of Academies will be using the premium in many different ways. We have employed two Teaching Assistants with service experience to support service children in the classroom, to run a weekly “drop in” session to support the emotional impact of service life, to monitor our service children’s attainment across the curriculum and implement the necessary provision.

The money will also be used to purchase a range of resources for service children to access; reading material that children can relate to, a “passport” where service children can collate their fantastic work for parents who are away on detachment, other specific items that help the children share their feelings.

All of the above will be administered in each of the schools across the federation and additionally to this, opportunities will be created where service children can come together and share in collaborative events such as a federation sports day, a Big Art project, and other forthcoming events.

The premium will contribute to the costly aspects for service children but the school will also initiate further support for service families such as; a Christmas nursery drop off so that parents have the chance to shop, a reflective garden that the children will help create and then use, and regular coffee mornings where parents have a platform to share their points and evaluate the provision being delivered.