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Dear Parent/Carer

The Department for Education (DfE) introduced Service Pupil Premium (SPP) in April 2011 in recognition of the specific challenges children from service families face and to help mitigate the negative impact of family mobility, separation or parental deployment on service children (as part of the commitment to delivering the Armed Forces Covenant). State schools, academies and free schools in England with children of service families (reception-age to Year 11) are eligible for SPP funding. SPP helps the school give additional support that the service child may need. It is currently worth £350 per service child.

Pupils are eligible for SPP if they meet one of the following criteria:

- one of their parents is serving in the regular armed forces (including pupils with a parent who is on full commitment as part of the full-time reserve service)
- they have been registered as a 'service child' on a school census in the past 6 years (see below the 'DfE's ever 6 service child measure')
- one of their parents died while serving in the armed forces and the pupil receives a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme or the War Pensions Scheme
- one of their parents is in the armed forces of another nation and is stationed in England

Our school has chosen to provide additional pastoral support opportunities and fund three additional school trips just for service children to help them build a sense of wider community, understand the role their service parent plays and help them cope with the potential strains of armed forces family life. Miss Priestley organises assemblies to discuss why these trips occur and help all children develop a sense of understanding. All children know that they will experience many enrichment opportunities that occur throughout the academic year.

For more information <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-service-pupil-premium/service-pupil-premium-what-you-need-to-know>

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'Love One Another As I Have Loved You' John 15:12

