Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a restful and enjoyable summer. As we begin this new academic year, we would like to extend a warm welcome back to our returning families, and a special welcome to those joining us for the first time. We are delighted to have you as part of our school community.

At Poynton High School, we are committed to supporting every child to thrive — academically, socially, and emotionally. For families of students eligible for Pupil Premium funding, we want to ensure you are fully informed about the support available to help your child make the most of their time with us.

What is Pupil Premium?

Pupil Premium is additional funding provided by the government to help schools close the attainment gap for 'disadvantaged students. This funding allows us to offer extra support, resources, and opportunities to ensure all pupils reach their full potential.

How We Support Pupil Premium Students

Here are just some of the ways we support our Pupil Premium students:

Academic Interventions: Tailored support in literacy, numeracy, and key subjects delivered through high quality teaching.

Mentoring and Pastoral Care: Access to staff who provide guidance, motivation, and emotional support.

Enrichment Opportunities: Subsidised trips, clubs, and cultural events to broaden horizons.

Wellbeing Support: Counselling, mental health resources, and wellbeing programs.

Financial Assistance: Help with school uniforms, equipment, and access to digital resources.

How to Access Support

If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, they are automatically included in the support we offer. However, we encourage families to reach out if there is anything specific you feel your child needs or if you are unsure what's available.

Your first point of contact:

Year 7 Alistair Hunter - ahunter@poyntonhigh.org.uk

Year 8 Hilary Booth - hbooth@poyntonhigh.org.uk

Year 9 Jodi Horobin - jhorobin@poyntonhigh.org.uk

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Please also visit our Pupil Premium page on the school <u>website</u> for further details:

We will be sending regular updates throughout the year with information on upcoming events, support sessions, and opportunities for your child. Your partnership is incredibly important to us, and we welcome your feedback and involvement.

I sign off this newsletter as I start maternity leave and hope that your young people have a fantastic school year. Please contact Emma Greenfield for any enquiries this academic year.

Kind regards,

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