



# CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

## **SUPPORTING ADOPTED CHILDREN IN SCHOOL – HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL**

As a school, we receive additional funding to support students from disadvantaged family circumstances. The Government has recognised recently that children that have been adopted also make less progress than their peers. To address this, they have introduced the Pupil Premium Plus so that schools can support them more effectively. As an example, each eligible child will attract Pupil Premium Plus funding worth £1,900, even if they have been adopted for a long time.

If any of your children are adopted we probably don't know and cannot ensure that we are directing funding to them.

By notifying us that your child is adopted, we can make a subtle entry to our records that will not be visible to the majority of staff, but will inform the Government through the annual census so that the additional funding can be released.

Currently we support some disadvantaged children by offering Maths, English and Science coaching. We can also support students with our extensive pastoral support which includes qualified counsellors, careers advice and supplementing out of school visits.

We know from experience that adoption is a sensitive issue and some children might not even be aware of their adoptive status. For this reason, we are keen to encourage parents to notify us by email: [emma.french@cncs.school](mailto:emma.french@cncs.school)

All we need are the child/children's name(s) and date of birth(s). This information will not be disclosed to any other body or used for any other purpose.

Even if your child is currently achieving well academically and socially, we are sure you could think of things that would help them achieve even more.

Yours faithfully

**Emma French**  
Deputy Headteacher

**Mrs M Kelly**  
Headteacher

