A Guide to Schools Funding and Finance 2018-19 and Onward

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NOTE:
This document will be updated as further information becomes available. September updates in highlighted italics
Allocations not included within School Budget Shares for 2018-19

The following are not included in individual School Budget Shares and further funding information is provided below:

1. Early Years Single Funding Formula (EYSFF) for LA Maintained Nursery classes
2. Post 16 allocations from the Education & Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) for schools with sixth forms
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1. Early Years National Funding Formula (EYNFF) and LA Maintained Nursery Schools and Classes

Early Years National Funding Formula (EYNFF) has been in place since the start of the 2017-18 financial year. This formula relates to both the previously existing 15-hour universal entitlement for all 3 and 4 year olds and the additional 15 hours for 3 and 4 year old children of eligible working parents (the 30 hour offer) that began from September 2017.

There are a number of requirements on how local authorities allocate funding to providers for the 2018-19 financial year. These include the following:

- A minimum amount of funding to be passed through to providers of 95% from 1 April 2018
- A local universal base rate for all types of provider
- Supplementary funding for the maintained nursery schools, for the "duration of the Parliament"
- Restrictions on the overall level of supplements (10% cap)
- The introduction of a disability access fund (DAF) for 3 and 4 year olds in receipt of child disability living allowance and receive free early education
- A requirement to establish a special educational needs (SEN) inclusion fund

The underlying universal provider base rates (excluding the deprivation supplement and SEN inclusion fund) are as set out below:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Setting</th>
<th>Rate per hour 2016-17 (old formula)</th>
<th>Underlying Provider Rate per hour 2017-18</th>
<th>Underlying Provider Rate per hour 2018-19</th>
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Basis of calculation

Universal entitlement Number of pupils x 38 weeks x 15 hours x rate per hour

Assuming that a pupil attend for the maximum entitled time otherwise this calculation needs to be scaled back accordingly.

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1 Alternatively, a school can use a similar calculation for each pupil 38 weeks x number of hours (maximum 15 hours) x rate per hour, then total the individual pupil calculations.
Extended 30 hours Number of pupils x 38 weeks x 30 hours x rate per hour

The increase in 2018-19 is comparable with per pupil increases applied to primary, secondary and special schools.

The standalone Maintained Nursery Schools will continue to receive separate supplementary funding from the DfE to support funding at 2016-17 levels for a transitional period.

Funding rates per hour for 2 year olds are as follows:

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Basis of calculation

Number of pupils x 38 weeks x 15 hours x rate per hour

Assuming that pupils attend for the maximum entitled time otherwise this calculation needs to be scaled back accordingly.

Supplement - Deprivation:

The allocation methodology is the same as that used in 2017-18 and will follow the funding for Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) eligible children. The deprivation funding will be paid alongside EYPP at a rate of 47p per hour, rather than an amount being allocated at the start of the financial year. Funding for the EYPP will continue at 53p per hour for 3 and 4 year old children eligible children attending up to 15 hours per week. The combined rate for the EYPP and deprivation supplement will therefore be £1 per hour for each EYPP eligible child.

There no deprivation allocation for 2 year olds because funding is already targeted at the most disadvantaged 2 year olds.

Special Educational Needs (SEN) Inclusion Fund

LAs are required to have an SEN Inclusion Fund for all three and four year olds with SEN who are taking up free entitlements. This is to target funding at children with lower level or emerging SEN. A process was already in place to identify these children in the PVI sector and this is continuing for 2018-19. Children in the school sector are identified through the school census (where identified as Category “K” children, excluding children with higher needs). Early Years colleagues will notify nursery schools and schools with nursery classes the amounts of their allocations.

Eligibility Checking System and Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)

More information about how to confirm eligibility for EYPP is available on the webpage at the link below:

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2. **Post 16 allocations from the Education Funding Agency (ESFA) for schools with sixth forms**

There is a national funding formula that is used by the ESFA to allocate post 16 funding to fund programme costs. The ESFA funding formula incorporates factors including student numbers, student retention, higher cost subjects, disadvantaged students and area costs.

This is supplemented by additional funding for high needs students, bursaries and other financial support awarded to individual students.

Allocations are calculated on academic years and for maintained schools are adjusted to financial year allocations by applying the simply pro-rata calculation of $\frac{4}{12}$ of current year funding and $\frac{8}{12}$ of next academic year’s funding. Detailed funding figures are not yet available. It is expected that these will be released to schools and the local authority in line with the EFA’s timetable – by end of March 2018.

**For 2018-19 allocations will be made to only two maintained secondary schools – Carterton Community College and Fitzharry’s School.**

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<th>Cost Centre</th>
<th>School Name</th>
<th>April</th>
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<th>June</th>
<th>July</th>
<th>August to March 2019</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
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<td>Fitzharry’s School</td>
<td>£26,193.46</td>
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<td>£22,011.25 per month</td>
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3. **Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM)**

From September 2014 all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils in stated-funded schools have been offered a Free School Meal (FSM).

For 2018-19 funding continues to be based on £2.30 per meal taken by pupils who have become eligible for FSM following the introduction of the UIFSM policy.

DfE uses the school census to indicate the actual number of pupils eligible for FSM and the meals take-up figures. Schools will need to ensure that all appropriate school census fields are completed for all children taking up a school meal regardless of the FSM eligibility status which must also be recorded for all pupils known to the eligible for FSM.

The UIFSM grant is based on the difference in numbers between infant pupils eligible for FSM and all infant pupils taking up a meal.

The final allocations for the academic year 2018-19 will be based on actual take-up will not be known until around June 2019. Schools need to be aware of and account for any possible clawback.
Further details have been made available by the DfE and were circulated by the LA to all schools by e-mail on 10 July 2018 (e-mail title “Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) Grant 2018-19”).

4. Pupil Premium Summer School Grant

Summer schools funding ceased in 2016.

5. Year 7 Catch-up Premium (Grant) Allocations

The Year 7 literacy and numeracy catch-up premium grant continues at least for the academic year 2017-18.

The EFA will confirm the per pupil rate and schools’ allocations by 28 February 2018.

No further information is currently available. For planning purposes schools should use the following:

The DfE will allocate funding to schools on the basis of the same overall amount of year 7 catch-up premium funding the school received in 2016-17. This allocation will be adjusted to reflect the percentage change in the size of their year 7 cohort, based on the October 2017 census. This approach can be all years in the school’s three-year budget plan. However, should the grant cease the school should be in a position to identify appropriate costs and either remove these from their budget plan or find an alternate funding stream.

Terms on which the Year 7 catch-up premium is allocated to schools

The grant may be spent by maintained schools for the purposes of the school; that is to say for the educational benefit of pupils registered at that school, or for the benefit of pupils registered at other maintained schools and academies; and on community facilities, for example services whose provision furthers any charitable purpose for the benefit of pupils at the school or their families, or people who live or work in the locality in which the school is situated.

The grant does not have to be completely spent by schools in the financial year beginning 1 April 2017; some or all of it may be carried forward to future financial years. The grant is made available irrespective of the existence of any deficit relating to the expenditure of the school’s budget share. The Year 7 catch-up premium is not part of schools’ budget shares and is not part of the Individual Schools Budget. It is not to be counted for the purpose of calculating the Minimum Funding Guarantee.

Payment arrangements
The grant will probably be paid to local authorities by end of February 2018 (in line with previous years). Transfer to schools’ accounts would follow shortly thereafter.

As likely levels of funding and for initial planning purposes individual maintained schools’ allocations for 2016-17 are shown below.
The school must publish on its website details of how the year 7 catch-up funding.

6. Pupil Premium Grant 2018-19

In a written statement to Parliament on 19 December 2017 it was confirmed that the Pupil Premium Grant rates for 2018-19 would be protected at current levels with the exception of the pupil premium plus which is increased and these rates are set out in the table below. Pupil Premium funding is, generally, not part of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG).

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<th>Pupil Premium</th>
<th>2017-18 (£)</th>
<th>2018-19 (£)</th>
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<td>Primary Pupil</td>
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<td>Secondary Pupil</td>
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<td>Looked After Child</td>
<td>1,900</td>
<td>2,300</td>
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<td>Service Child</td>
<td>300</td>
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From 2015 the calculation to deduct “money following permanently excluded pupils” includes the relevant proportion of Pupil Premium.

Conditions of Grant

The grant may be spent by maintained schools for the purposes of the school; that is to say for the educational benefit of pupils registered at that school, or for the benefit of pupils registered at other maintained schools; and on community facilities, for example services whose provision furthers any charitable purpose for the benefit of pupils at the school or their families, or people who live or work in the locality in which the school is situated.
The grant does not have to be completely spent by schools in the financial year; some or all of it may be carried forward to future financial years.

Individual school allocations for 2018-19 have been confirmed at the end of June 2018. Final calculations being based on Spring 2018 census data. \textit{Details have been made available by the DfE and were circulated by the LA to all schools by e-mail on 10 July 2018 (e-mail title “Pupil Premium Grant 2018-19”). Allocation table and pupil data used to calculate school Pupil Premium funding has also been lodged on the LA’s Schools finance webpages.}

7. \textbf{Pupil Premium Grant 2018-19 Looked After Children (LAC)}

Increase in rate per eligible pupil for 2018-19.

\textbf{Basis of the allocations to the local authority}

The DfE allocates a provisional allocation of £2,300 per child for the number of children looked after for at least one day as recorded in the March 2017 Children Looked After Data Return (SSDA903) and aged 4 to 15 at 31 August 2016. This allocation is updated and finalised in December 2018 based on the number of children looked after for at least one day as recorded in the previous March Children Looked After Data Return (SSDA903) and aged 4 to 15 at previous 31 August 2017.

\textbf{Use of the Looked After Children Premium}

The Looked After Children premium must be managed by the designated Virtual School Head in the LA that looks after those children to be used for the benefit of the looked after child’s educational needs as described in their Personal Education Plan (PEP). The Virtual School Head is to ensure there are arrangements in place to discuss with the child’s education setting – usually with the designated teacher – how the child will benefit from any pupil premium funding. The LA is not permitted to carry forward funding held centrally into the next financial year. Grant held centrally that has not been spent by 31 March 2019 will be recovered by DfE.

8. \textbf{Growth Funding for school changes}

The local authority (LA) is allowed to retain DSG funding from the Schools Block (with Schools Forum approval), to provide additional revenue funding for significant pupil growth. Since 2009 the authority has provided additional funding to primary schools which have been required, through agreement with the LA to admit significantly increased intakes. This funding is to recognise additional costs incurred after budgets have been set.

The funding has been based on the estimated costs of staffing and resourcing for an additional class for the period before the increased pupil numbers are included in formula funding allocations. This covers the period from September to March for maintained schools and for a full academic year for an academy. The current funding rates are up to £33,000 per maintained school (and £55,000 for academies).

The qualification criteria were, again, presented to Schools Forum (22 November 2017), and confirmed. The following summarises these and key processes:
The DfE requires that local authorities make provision in their growth funds to support increases in pupil numbers relating to basic need. This can relate to new schools, or existing schools which are expanding.

**Schools Expanding on their Existing Site**

Additional class funding is for the purpose of supporting primary schools to provide additional classes as requested by the Local Authority to meet the basic need for school places.

Payments are made to non-academy schools on the basis of the seven months from September to March, when the additional children will not be reflected in the school’s budget. For academies, the payments are on the basis of 12 months, as the additional children will not be reflected in the academy’s budget until the following September. Where schools are permanently expanding, the limit for payments is two years per school. Where schools are accepting bulge classes, payments are made each time an additional class needs to be created.

Funding is allocated as follows:

The first payment will be made when:

1. The school or academy is admitting at least 5 more pupils into Reception than the Published Admission Number (PAN) that applied prior to the expansion (e.g. a school with a PAN of 15 for 2017 would qualify if it admitted 20 or more in 2018, whatever the PAN for 2018).
2. AND both the LA and the school have confirmed that an additional class will need to be set up.
3. AND the increase is requested by the LA.

For schools that are permanently expanding, a second payment will be made when:

1. The total number of teachers employed by the school has increased by two teachers over the years affected by the increased intake.
2. AND the Local Authority agrees that another additional class needs to be set up in order to comply with class size limits across Reception and Key Stage 1.
3. AND the increase is requested by the LA.

Where schools agree to create an additional class after the start of the school year, due to significant in-year population growth, and the pupils are not reflected in their funding for the second year, an additional contribution may be agreed for the second year.

9. **Primary PE and sport premium**

This premium will continue in 2018-19. The funding rate and details have been formally confirmed. These do not differ much from the updated increase in 2017-18. Details have been made available by the DfE and were circulated by the LA to all schools by e-mail on 21 May 2018 (e-mail title “Primary PE and Sport Grant 2017-18 Academic Year Allocations.”)
The primary PE and sport premium (“the premium”) will be paid by the Secretary of State for Education (“Secretary of State”) to the local authority (“Authority”) for their distribution to maintained schools.

The premium for the academic year is funded over two instalments. For the academic year, the first payment will be paid around November while the second instalment will fall in the first half of the following financial year, due May time.

Purpose of the premium: The premium must be used to fund improvements to the provision of PE and sport, for the benefit of primary-aged pupils, in the academic year to give them the opportunity to develop a healthy lifestyle.

Basis of allocation: Allocations for the academic year will be calculated using the number of pupils in years 1 to 6 (or aged 5 to 10 years where pupils are not recorded by year group), as recorded on January census, as follows:

- schools with 17 or more pupils receive £16,000 plus £10 per pupil
- schools with 16 or fewer pupils receive £1,000 per pupil

The premium must be made available by the LA to the school irrespective of the existence of any deficit relating to the expenditure of the school’s budget share. The premium is not part of schools' budget shares and is not part of the Individual Schools Budget.

The premium must be spent by maintained schools on improving the provision of PE and sport for the benefit of pupils to give them the opportunity to develop a healthy lifestyle.

Maintained schools, including those that convert to academies, must publish, on their website, information about their use of the premium by April each year.

Schools should publish

- the amount of premium received;
- how it has been spent (or will be spent) and
- what impact the school has seen on pupils’ PE and sport participation and attainment as a result.

Schools should also consider how their use of the premium gives pupils the opportunity to develop a healthy lifestyle.

Individual school allocations for the next academic year are not likely to be confirmed until September 2018. In the financial year 2018-19, schools will receive 35% of their allocation for the academic year 2017-18 and 65% for the academic year 2018-19. For planning purposes schools are advised to use the confirmed allocation for 2017-18 and adjust for significant known pupil eligibility changes.

10. High Needs funding

a) High-needs top-up funding

For pre-16 pupils, this is paid directly by the commissioning local authority for high needs pupils where the total cost exceeds the following thresholds.
Where the pupil is in a Special Educational Needs Unit, the cost threshold is £10,000, this amount includes the costs of all pupils’ basic educational entitlement, which is funded through the place funding.

If the pupil is not in a unit, the cost threshold is £6,000, which only covers the costs of additional SEN support.

Schools are expected to meet any cost of support below these thresholds from their budget allocations. See high needs matrix for pre-16 below.

| Pre-16 |
|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| Type of provision | Core funding | Top up funding (expected to be distributed in real time) |
| **Mainstream schools** | First £6,000 of additional need costs to be met from delegated budget | Agreed per pupil top up paid by commissioning LA |
| **Special units and resourced provision in mainstream schools** | A combination of per pupil funding through the LA funding formula plus £6,000 per place for those occupied by pupils on roll and £10,000 for remainder of places to be funded. | Agreed per pupil top up paid by commissioning LA |
| **Maintained special schools** | £10,000 per place based on number of places to be funded. | Agreed per pupil top up paid by commissioning LA |
| **Nursery Schools** | Per pupil funding through the early years funding formula. The place funding system doesn’t operate in 0 to 5 year only settings | Agreed per pupil funding paid by commissioning LA |

b) Secondary school SEN funding

In previous years, secondary school SEN funding had been delegated to schools through the Schools Funding Formula as a SEN allocation, using number on roll, deprivation and low cost high incidence data. The DfE changed the schools funding formula from April 2013 and included a SEN threshold limit against which schools were to meet costs from their Schools Budget Share. As part of these changes this required the local authority to reduce funding within the Schools Block and move the specific SEN related funding to the High Needs Block. The DfE intention was that high needs funding would then be re-allocated on a needs-led basis where individual pupils require additional support above the threshold (£6,000).

Since 2014-15 this high needs funding moved from DSG Schools Block funding to DSG High Needs Block has simply been re-allocated back to schools using the pre-April 2013 allocation methodology. Allocations for maintained secondary schools for 2018-19 are given below.
c) Special Educational Needs (SEN) Units (Resource Bases)

For 2018-19 and onward, pre-16 places at special unit and resourced provision (bases) occupied by pupils recorded on the school census (as either sole or dual [main]) will be funded at £6,000. This funding will come from the High needs block and allocated to the school by the LA. In addition, the pupils in these places will also have attracted funding through the mainstream school formula (deemed to be £4,000).

Other agreed places will be funded at £10,000 and may apply where:

- The place is or will be occupied by a pupil registered on the roll of another school
- A place is occupied at the time of the school census
- Spare capacity is required for another reason.

Where there are SEN units or resourced bases school pupil number counts are no longer adjusted downward reduced by the number of agreed places and the school's Basic Entitlement allocations is reduced.

The number of unit places for 2018-19 is summarised below.

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<tr>
<th>Location Code</th>
<th>School Name</th>
<th>Total number of pre-16 high needs places in 2017-18</th>
<th>Number of primary (excluding nursery class) current and main registered pupils in the school occupying high needs places in 2017-18</th>
<th>Number of KS3 current and main registered pupils in the school occupying high needs places in 2017-18</th>
<th>Number of KS4 current and main registered pupils in the school occupying high needs places in 2017-18</th>
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<td>64</td>
<td>44</td>
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11. Redundancy Allocations 2018-19

Since September 2011 schools have been responsible for paying their own redundancy costs.
The previously centrally held funding has been progressively passed to schools as resources have been freed up (not required to meet historic redundancy or early retirement liabilities). Allocations are made to schools either as a per pupil amount for primary and secondary schools or for special schools again based on pupil numbers but weighted to reflect the higher adult to pupil ratio.

It was agreed in a Management of Redundancies in Schools paper to Schools Forum of 10 March 2011 that the overall resources to be made available to schools would be capped at £6.79 per pupil.

The per-pupil amount remains as per 2015-16 financial year at £6.79. For special schools where per place (allocated to Oxfordshire) amounts are weighted (as agreed by Schools Forum Finance & Deprivation Sub-committee September 2011) the following table details school specific allocations.

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>School</th>
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<th>Places</th>
<th>Weighted Places/pupils</th>
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12. Devolved Capital 2018-19

The Devolved Formula Capital methodology will remain unchanged and calculated using the same approach as in previous years until March 2019.

Each year’s allocation per school will be calculated according to the DfE formula set out below

Allocation for 2018-19 (as per 2015-16)

- Per nursery/primary pupil: £11.25
- Per secondary pupil: £16.88
- Per special school pupil: £33.75
- Lump sum all settings: £4,000

Schools are to ensure that devolved formula capital allocations are spent appropriately on Asset Management Plan and ICT priorities.

**Details have been made available by the DfE and were circulated by the LA to all schools by e-mail on 12 July 2018 (e-mail title “Devolved Capital 2018-19”). Allocation table has also been lodged on the LA’s Schools finance webpages.** The allocations will be calculated to reflect the January 2017 school pupil census numbers.

At time of writing provisional amounts for the next 2 years (2019-20 and 2020-21) are not yet known or whether Devolved Formula Capital (DFC) will continue. However, for planning
purposes schools can assume that DFC will continue at the current levels of funding. Access to future year allocations (2019-20 and 2020-21) will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

13. **Early Years Pupil Premium**

The Government introduced an Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) for 3 and 4 year olds from the start of the financial year 2015-16. The qualification for this will be as per the School Pupil Premium, i.e. free school meals. This will be available for children in all Early Years settings, and as with the School Pupil Premium, emphasis will be placed on showing the impact of the use of this funding and it will be included in Ofsted Inspections.

The funding rate for the EYPP continues at £302.10 per child accessing the full 570 hours. This funding will be allocated directly to providers as an addition to the hourly rate (Base Rate), an enhancement of 53p per hour. EYPP is paid on the universal 15 hours only up to a maximum of 570 hours in the year (an eligible pupil attending for 30 hours per week will only receive EYPP for the universal 15 hours element).

For example, if eligible children are attending their full 15 hours of funded early education a week this would generate funding as follows:

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<tr>
<th>Number of children</th>
<th>Amount each year</th>
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<td>1 child</td>
<td>£302.10</td>
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<tr>
<td>2 children</td>
<td>£604.20</td>
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<tr>
<td>752 children, provisional allocation to LA</td>
<td>£226,927</td>
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Schools will be notified of their allocations in the summer 2018 term.

This allocation does not apply to 2 year olds because the related funding continues to be targeted at the most disadvantaged 2 year olds.

14. **National Copyright Licences**

The Department for Education has agreed with the following agencies to purchase a single national licence for all state-funded schools in England:

- Christian Copyright Licensing International (CCLI);
- Copyright Licensing Agency (CLA);
- Education Recording Agency (ERA);
- Filmbank Distributors Ltd. (for the PVSL);
- Mechanical Copyright Protection Society (MCPS);
- Motion Picture Licensing Company (MPLC);
- Newspaper Licensing Authority (NLA);
- Performing Rights Society (PRS);
- Phonographic Performance Limited (PPL) and
- Schools Printed Music Licence (SPML).
This means that local authority and schools no longer need to negotiate any of the individual licences listed above. Schools are not permitted to opt out of this arrangement.

The arrangements cover

- Maintained schools
- Academies
- Free schools
- Special schools
- Non-maintained special schools

All other licenses required by individual schools must be purchased from the school’s delegated budget.

15. Permanently Excluded Pupil funding

The Schools and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations require where a pupil is permanently excluded from a school maintained by the local authority (other than a special school, pupil referral unit or from a place with the authority have reserved for children with special educational needs) the authority must re-determine the excluding school’s budget share in accordance these regulations. (These arrangements are slightly different for academies.) The intention of the regulations is to ensure that the funding attributable to a pupil follows them out of the excluding school and into any school that then takes them on roll, or provides funding with which the local authority can fulfil its duty to provide education for a permanently excluded pupil. The regulations state that the financial adjustment should reflect the funding that would be attributable to a registered pupil of the same age and personal circumstances as the pupil in question and define how the calculations are to be made.

Where a pupil is permanently excluded, Base Entitlement funding will be withdrawn for the remainder of the financial year at the rate relevant for the Key Stage in that financial year.

If the pupil is eligible for pupil premium funding, this funding will be withdrawn for the remainder of the financial year.

Where an excluded pupil is admitted to another, then the receiving school will be allocated funding from the admission date to the end of the current financial year.

16. Pupils who are the responsibility of other local authorities

Any top up funding in respect of out of county pupils that schools (and academies) educate will need to be agreed between the school (academy) and the commissioning local authority that is the placing local authority. Schools are recommended to ensure that the amount reimbursed is at least the same as a pupil with similar needs is funded by Oxfordshire.

Schools are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure that the income is collected.

17. What Schools Must Publish Online

The maintained schools are required to publish on their websites the following additional information relating to some of the funding in this document.
Every maintained school must publish specific information on its website to comply with The School Information (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2016\(^4\).

(a) Pupil premium

You must publish a strategy for the use of the pupil premium funding. Schools are no longer required to publish a "pupil premium statement".

You must include the following:

- your pupil premium allocation
- a summary of the main barriers to educational achievement faced by eligible pupils at the school
- details of how you spent your allocation to address those barriers and the reasons for that approach
- how you will measure the impact
- the date of the next review of the strategy

For the previous academic year you must include:

- how you spent the pupil premium allocation
- the impact of the expenditure on eligible and other pupils

The funding is allocated for each financial year, but the information you publish online should refer to the academic year, as this is how parents and the general public understand the school year.

As allocations will not be known for the latter part of the academic year (April to July), you should report on the funding up to the end of the financial year and update it when you have all the figures.

(b) Year 7 literacy and numeracy catch-up premium

If your school receives year 7 literacy and numeracy catch-up premium funding, you must publish details of how your school spends this funding and the effect this has had on the attainment of the pupils who attract it.

You must include the following:

- your year 7 literacy and numeracy catch-up premium allocation for the current academic year
- details of how you intend to spend your allocation
- details of how you spent your previous academic year’s allocation
- how it made a difference to the attainment of the pupils who attract the funding

(c) PE and sport premium for primary schools

If your school receives PE and sport premium funding, you must publish details of how your school spends this funding and the effect it has had on pupils’ PE and sport participation and attainment.

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\(^4\) Replaces The School Information (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2012
You must include the following:

- your PE and sport premium allocation for the current academic year
- a full breakdown of how you have spent or will spend your allocation
- the effect of the premium on pupils' PE and sport participation and attainment
- how you will make sure that these improvements are sustainable
- how many pupils within their year 6 cohort can do each of the following:
  - swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres
  - use a range of strokes effectively
  - perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations

Failure to comply with the above requirements may result in loss of the funding.

(d) Governors’ information and duties

Schools must publish information about their school’s governors, including:

- details of each governor’s:
  - business interests
  - financial interests
  - governance roles in other schools
- the structure and responsibilities of the governing body and committees

Further information can be found on page 10 of the DfE document “Constitution of governing bodies of maintained schools”.

The information maintained schools are required to publish on their websites must include:

- School contact details
- Admission arrangements
- Ofsted reports
- Examination and assessment results
- Performance tables
- Curriculum
- Behaviour policy
- Schools complaints procedure
- Pupil premium
- Year 7 literacy and numeracy catch-up premium
- PE and sports premium for primary schools
- Special educational needs (SEN) and disability information
- Governors’ information and duties
- Charging and remissions policies
- Values and ethos
- Requests for paper copies

The link below will take you to the Gov.uk web pages that provide further information.

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/what-maintained-schools-must-publish-online

18. Budget Submission Timetable
All maintained primary, including nursery schools and secondary schools are to submit their governor approved budget to the Local Authority covering the period 2018-19 to 2020-21 by Tuesday 1 May 2018. For maintained special schools the date is Friday 18 May 2018.

A paper will be presented to Schools Forum on 3 October 2018 to agree the budget submission timetable for 2019-19. Once agreed maintained schools will be notified (notification expected to be before October half term).

19. School Budget and Inflationary Pressures 2018-19

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<td>Formula funding allocations</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>No inflation included. However, formula model is now replicating the national funding formula</td>
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<td>Pupil Premium</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>Rates provisional, as per 2017-18, allocation dependent on pupil eligibility, except LAC rate increased to £2,300</td>
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<td>PE and Sports Grant</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>Rates provisional, as per updated 2017-18, allocation dependent on pupil eligibility count</td>
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<td>UIFSM Grant</td>
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<td>Rates provisional, as per 2017-18, allocation dependent on pupil eligibility count</td>
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<td>Devolved Capital Grant</td>
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<td>Fees and Charges and other incomes</td>
<td>0-3%</td>
<td>Assumed to be in line with general inflation costs (RPI) Where appropriate as agreed by the LA’s annual Review of Charges</td>
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<td>Teachers Pay</td>
<td>Assumed 1% from September 2018 1.5 to 3.5%</td>
<td>A pay award of 1% is anticipated. Most teachers are in the teachers’ pension scheme. Government announced scaled pay award for teaching staff basic pay and allowances, part funded through specific pay grant. Effective date of increase 1 September 2018.</td>
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<td>Teachers on-costs</td>
<td>No change expected from 2017-18</td>
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<td>Other teacher pay related costs</td>
<td>School specific</td>
<td>Dependent on each employee’s current pay point and progress criteria</td>
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<td>Non-teaching Staff Pay</td>
<td>National and local pay deals</td>
<td>Non-teaching staff pay – pay award of 2% is anticipated. With higher increases intended for lower paid staff effective from April 2019. Overall increase in pay bill (all staff) will be in the order of 2 to 2.75% depending school’s specific circumstances</td>
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<td>Non-teachers on-costs</td>
<td>No change expected from 2017-18</td>
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<td>Apprenticeship Levy</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>Payable on total amount of wages, bonuses etc. that are subject to Class 1 secondary National Insurance Contributions, no increase in rate remains at 0.5%</td>
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<td>Redundancy</td>
<td>School specific</td>
<td>Costs met by schools unless agreement compatible with contents of Scheme for Financing Schools</td>
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<td>Demographic pressures</td>
<td>School specific</td>
<td>Dependent on specific demand and need</td>
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<td>- Free School Meals</td>
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<td>- SEN</td>
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<td>Insurances – specific arrangements made by schools</td>
<td>0-5%</td>
<td>Specific to contractual arrangements entered into by school, also dependent on claims history</td>
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<td>Contracts – Building Maintenance</td>
<td>0-3%</td>
<td>Specific to contractual arrangements entered into by school</td>
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<td>Rates</td>
<td>3.9%</td>
<td>As per amounts included in national funding formula for Oxfordshire schools</td>
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<td>Contracts - General</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>Specific to contractual arrangements entered into by school</td>
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<tr>
<td>Contracts – Agency Staff</td>
<td>?%</td>
<td>No inflationary rate as dependent on contractual arrangement but could be assumed to be in line with teachers pay award assumption above</td>
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<tr>
<td>ICT Purchases &amp; Services</td>
<td>3.9%</td>
<td>Increase in line with RPI</td>
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<td>Catering Supplies</td>
<td>0-3%</td>
<td>Specific to contractual arrangements entered into by school</td>
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<td>Examination Fees</td>
<td>3.9%</td>
<td>Increase in line with RPI</td>
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<tr>
<td>Licences</td>
<td>Various</td>
<td>Many school based licences paid centrally on behalf of all schools. Schools need purchase only specific licences</td>
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<td>Bought-in Services</td>
<td>Generally, 2% but may vary due to some changes to offers</td>
<td>In-house bought in services mainly re-costed to bundling of similar services costs increased for anticipated pay awards. Detail January 2018 Services and Contracts meeting</td>
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<td>Energy</td>
<td>0-10%</td>
<td>Specific to contract. Difficult to specify as market made up of multiple suppliers. Gas tending to be static at present while electricity prices increasing. Average increase on all energy given.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Water</td>
<td>?%</td>
<td>Specific to supplier and contract.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Staff insurance schemes</td>
<td>Various</td>
<td>Arranged locally by schools and cover tailored to school’s individual needs. Premium rates usually dependent on claims history.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>General Price Increases (inflation)</strong></td>
<td>2.8-3.9%</td>
<td>RPI Retail Price Index currently (September 2017) 3.9%</td>
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<td></td>
<td>2.3%-3.2%</td>
<td>CPIH Consumer Price Index (including owner occupier’s housing costs) (September 2017) 2.8%</td>
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Some of the above inflationary pressures will have already been built into the local authority provided budget planning tool. Specifically, teachers’ pay award estimated at 1% and non-teaching staff pay award estimated at 2% on most scale points though the grades points at the bottom end have been significantly increased reflecting move to national minimum wage. Both pay awards are subject to further negotiation may be more. Schools should consider making appropriate contingency against this possibility.

As more information becomes available it will be circulated to schools.

DSG  Dedicated Schools Grant
LA   Local authority (Oxfordshire)

20. **Budget Pressures identified by Schools**

List is not in any particular order of impact or importance.

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<td>Volatility in pupil numbers in nursery</td>
<td>Reduction in academies ESG allocations</td>
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<td>Implementing the new curriculum</td>
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Auto enrolment in pension schemes | Prices inflation on resources
---|---
Leadership and management costs | School expansion, increase pupil numbers
Curriculum provision in a small school | Curriculum provision in a small school
Apprenticeship Levy | Apprenticeship Levy
Falling pupil numbers | Energy and water inflation
Building maintenance costs and inflation | Cost of agency staff due to recruitment difficulties
Cost of agency staff – supply cover | Leadership and management costs
Cost of agency staff due to recruitment difficulties | Volatility in pupil numbers in sixth form
Extra cost to ensure recruitment and retention (R&R payments) | Building maintenance costs and inflation
Introduction and continued cost of UIFSM provision | Extra cost to ensure recruitment and retention (R&R payments)
Recruitment costs – advertising, recruitment agencies | Examination fees
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21. LA funding APT funding model approval time table

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<td>Sometime between these dates</td>
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<td>5 February 2018</td>
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<td>28 February 2018, provisional</td>
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22. Reception Uplift

From April 2018, schools’ formula funding model (referred to as APT) will no longer include any adjustment for reception children admitted in the January following the previous year’s October pupil census and who were not on the October count. This is funding change implemented nationally. Schools previously in receipt of this adjustment and have included funding in future years’ draft budget plans will need to remove the anticipated income and, if necessary, adjust expenditure accordingly.

23. Early Years Formula Funding Transfers Operational Change (within SAP)

For maintained nursery schools and schools with nursery classes a change is proposed in the way Early Years formula allocations are passed into schools’ SAP accounts during the
financial year 2018-19. The intention is to mirror the process used with Private, Voluntary and Independent early years settings. Maintained schools will not receive an estimated total Early Years allocation at the start of the year that may or may not be adjusted up or down as the termly counts are made.

The proposed allocation process for 2018-19 will be as follows:

At the start of each (traditional) term 60% of the estimated funding for that term will be credited to the school’s SAP during the first month of each term. Following the termly count in the second month in each term, a balance adjustment to that term’s allocation will be made. This approach will provide the benefits of

- As the initial allocation, will be 60% of the estimated income for the term, it is likely that the balance adjustment will be positive (no clawbacks). However, in exceptional circumstances they may be a reduction adjustment.
- Provide improved clarity of the income stream, how much is actually received by the school and when. It will also be easier to reconcile against the pupil/hours returns submitted by the school to the LA.
- Budget monitoring will be improved as schools’ accounts will be credited when income is due and not “front loaded” at the start of the financial year and then increased or decreased as actual numbers are known.

The following shows the timing of the income transfers

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<th>April</th>
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<td>60% of estimated allocation for term</td>
<td>Balance based on actual count taken in month</td>
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24. Union Facilities Charge

Schools Forum, following discussion and deliberation, has decided support the delegation of the funding for the union facilities arrangements, currently held within the Central Services Schools Block to all schools from 1 April 2018. At the same time, it was also decided, given the service provided was highly valued and that schools wished for it to continue, that the amounts would be de-delegated from maintained schools and that academies would be asked to contribute at the same level. A significant number of academies have already signed up to continue to take the service.

For maintained schools the charge for 2018-19 will be £1.12 per pupil based on the school’s October 2017 census return. Charges will be processed into schools’ SAP accounts during April 2018 and appear against Consistent Financial Reporting (CFR) category E28.

Other than make appropriate provision in the school’s budget maintained schools need do nothing further.

25. Heathy Pupil Capital Fund 2018-19
In March 2018 the Department for Education (DfE) issued details of the new Healthy Pupils Capital Fund (HPCF). Oxfordshire has been allocated £304,157 for its Community/Foundation/Voluntary Controlled schools (a further £78,552 has been provided to respective Dioceses for Voluntary Aided (VA) Schools.

The local authority had some flexibility as to how these funds could be distributed but the funding must be used to improve children's and young people’s physical and mental health by improving and increasing availability to facilities for physical activity, healthy eating, mental health and wellbeing and medical conditions.

The HPCF can only be used for capital expenditure.

To achieve the maximum benefit across all schools, and having discussed possible allocation methodologies within the local authority and with Schools Forum it was agreed that the HPCF would be allocated direct to schools with each school receiving a minimum allocation of £2,000, and larger schools (over 260 pupils) receiving an allocation proportionate to the size of school (£7.81 per pupil). This methodology is intended to ensure that every school benefits by receiving an allocation of funding at least equal to the £2,000 de minimis level for capital expenditure.

At year-end schools will be required to provide basic information about how the grant has been utilised.

Details and guidance was circulated by the LA to all schools by e-mail on 13 July 2018 (e-mail title “Heathy Pupils Capital Fund 2018-19”).

26. Provisional LA funding APT funding model approval time table for 2019-20

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<td>Before 21 January 2019</td>
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27. Teacher Pay Award and Pay Grant

The DfE has announced at the end of the summer term (24 July) that pay for some classroom teachers will rise by up to 3.5 per cent next year and that extra government funding will be available to help schools pay for the increase.

The 3.5 per cent rise will be applied to the main pay range and unqualified teacher pay range for classroom teachers with the announcement stating a 2 per cent rise in the upper pay band for teachers and a 1.5 per cent rise for school leaders will also be paid.

Schools continue to decide how to pay their staff, but there will receive extra cash, in the form of a specific grant to help meet the costs. Overall the government will provide a teachers' pay grant of £187 million in 2018-19 and £321 million in 2019-20.

This grant is expected to cover the difference between the announced increases above and 1 per cent rise that it is assumed schools have already planned for.

Actual details as to when the pay award will be paid and how the specific grant allocations will be made to schools and on what basis has yet to be confirmed. More on this will follow when available.