



The Marling School Promise

Our aim is to make Marling School an inclusive environment and for all children to have the same opportunities. We know that parents may worry about the cost of sending their child to school and we want to work with parents to reduce these concerns.

If your child is currently eligible, a free school meal will be provided. Also, for any child offered a place at Marling School and who is eligible for Pupil Premium (i.e., who has been eligible for free school meals at any point in the last six years) we will provide the following support. Additionally, students who are eligible for Service Pupil Premium (i.e., a student who has a parent/guardian serving in the military or receiving a military pension) we will provide the support specified in items 2, 4 and 7.

1. **Confidentiality:** Financial arrangements concerning your child will remain strictly confidential and will be dealt with discretely. Assistance will be given with minimum fuss so that no family can be identified as receiving support. Our finance team is available to talk to privately about any financial concerns.
2. **Uniform up to the value of £70:** Compulsory school uniform and PE Kit such as a blazer, tie, trousers, shirts, rugby boots and rugby shirt is available in Year 7 and continued support will be provided during KS3/4. However, please be aware that one's bank details and receipts will need to be provided to the Finance Office. Also, second-hand uniforms are available at a reduced cost.
3. **Access to fee free locker for Year 7 students:** Lockers will be allocated during the first week of term.
4. **Free essential equipment for lessons:** Each Year 7 student will be provided with a resources kit during the first week of Term 1, including a scientific calculator and the necessary stationery. Furthermore, continued support will be offered to students during their time at Marling, this includes any necessary revision guides within KS3 and KS4.
5. **Support for Educational Trips as specified by SLT:** On application to the Finance Office, financial support can be given for certain educational visits. For example, a Geography field trip and Year 7 camp. Parents will still need to complete the joining process via ParentPay.
6. **A contribution of up to £40 per year towards music tuition:** This may be used to hire one instrument or to participate in extra-curricular opportunities available from the Music department.
7. **Extra-curricular clubs/activities:** This promise aims to ensure that all Marlingtonians can attend at least one extra-curricular club. Therefore, if a student needs to take public transport to get home or pay a fee to attend the club, the full amount will be subsidised. Receipts need to be provided to the Finance Office and payment will be made by bank transfer. Furthermore, Year 7 camp and DofE costs for Bronze (Y9) and Silver (Y10) awards will be subsidised fully by the school. Further assistance can be provided to ensure students have access to the necessary equipment for these trips.
8. **A free Student Device is available to Year 7 Pupil Premium students;** the Student Device will be distributed within term 2.
9. **Free Gym access:** KS4 students will be given a gym pass after they have been inducted during their PE lessons.

If you have any questions about the support available, have other specific needs or would like to discuss any concerns, please contact Mr K. Stephens on 01453 762251 or email: KXS@marling.school. Our finance team is also available if you wish to discuss any financial concerns or further support (finance@marling.school).