

The Valley Primary School - Pupil Premium strategy statement

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2021 to 2022 academic year) funding to help improve the attainment of our disadvantaged pupils.

It outlines our pupil premium strategy, how we intend to spend the funding in this academic year and the effect that last year's spending of pupil premium had within our school.

School overview

Detail	Data
School name	The Valley Primary School
Number of pupils in school	42 (43 inc Nursery)
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	12 (%)
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2020/2022
Date this statement was published	Sept 2021 (updated January 2022)
Date on which it will be reviewed	July 2022
Statement authorised by	J M Eccles
Pupil premium lead	Miss N. Ainsworth
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Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£4000
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£1060
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	£5060

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

The aims of the Moorlands Primary Federation are:

To provide high-quality education in each of our schools;

To provide every child with life-enriching experiences, instilling a passion and enjoyment of learning and to enable children to make a positive contribution to their world;

To develop a highly-skilled teaching and learning team, which shares good practice in order to benefit the children within each school and to further develop staff.

What are your ultimate objectives for your disadvantaged pupils?

To provide all pupils with fair and equal opportunities to achieve their potential in all areas of the curriculum.

To use extra funding for disadvantaged pupils to support opportunities and ensure that first class teaching is accessible.

To plan, monitor and evaluate support and intervention to secure progress and achievement.

To support all the different strands of the Pupil Premium:

- Ever 6 Free School Meals Children- children who have been eligible for free school meals in of any the last six years;
- Looked after Children in the care of the local authority;
- Children who are no longer looked after by the local authority due to adoption, guardianship or residence order;
- Ever 5 Service children- children eligible for the service child premium in any of the previous 4 years as well as those recorded as a service child for the first time this year.

How does your current pupil premium strategy plan work towards achieving those objectives?

We have five children currently on role eligible for Pupil Premium (PP) funding. The effects of the Covid 19 pandemic have resulted in some children having below national expected level attainment in reading, writing and maths. It is our intention to use PP funding to close this gap on national expected levels (NEL) by ensuring rapid progress. Some children are high attainers. It is our intention to use PP funding to 'challenge' these children to achieve even more. 96% of our funding is it be used funding educational staff, as we believe this has the greatest impact on pupil outcomes. Our ability to deliver our strategy depends upon the children remaining in attendance.

What are the key principles of your strategy plan?

- Provision of excellent teaching through recruitment, retention and CPD of staff as well as excellent pedagogy;
- Access to high-quality educational resources and experiences for all disadvantaged pupils across all provision;
- Targeted academic support for disadvantaged pupils including academic guidance and pastoral support;
- Provision of strategies to support disadvantaged pupils with their attendance, and well-being;
- Bespoke support to meet the needs of individual circumstances.

Challenges

This details the key challenges to achievement that we have identified among our disadvantaged pupils.

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Impact of the Covid pandemic on school-based teaching and learning. Challenge to improve progress and attainment in reading, writing and maths of children in receipt of PP funding.
2	Three of the five PP children are listed on our SENDs register – all below NEL in reading, writing and maths.
3	Very small cohorts and subsequently small PP numbers spread over seven year groups making teaching and learning challenging.
4	Fair access to educational materials and extra-curricular activities

Intended outcomes

This explains the outcomes we are aiming for **by the end of our current strategy plan**, and how we will measure whether they have been achieved.

Intended outcome	Success criteria
Improve progress and attainment in reading of PP children	IMPROVE DATA of December 2021: TMPF points average -2 compared to national expected level. 50% (1/2) of PP children below national expected level.
Improve progress and attainment in writing of PP children	IMPROVE DATA of December 2021: TMPF points average -3 compared to national expected level. 50% (1/2) of PP children below national expected level.
Improve progress and attainment in maths of PP children	IMPROVE DATA of December 2021: TMPF points average -2 compared to national expected level. 50% (1/2) of PP children below national expected level.
Ensure all PP children have equal access to all extra-curricular school activities.	All PP children to attend educational visits
Ensure all PP children have appropriate, equal, educational materials as non-PP children	All PP children to be offered electronic resources to facilitate remote learning. School uniform to be available to all children.

Activity in this academic year

This details how we intend to spend our pupil premium (and recovery premium funding) **this academic year** to address the challenges listed above.

Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Qualified teacher to work, with small groups and one-to-one. £1060	<p>Teacher Feedback to Improve Pupil Learning Guidance Report</p> <p>'Before providing feedback, teachers should provide high quality instruction, including the use of formative assessment strategies. High quality initial instruction will reduce the work that feedback needs to do; formative assessment strategies are required to set learning intentions (which feedback will aim towards) and to assess learning gaps (which feedback will address).'</p> <p>See EEF 'Improving Mathematics in KS2: Evidence Review</p> <p>https://d2tic4wvo1iusb.cloudfront.net/documents/guidance/EEF_Maths_Evidence_Review.pdf</p>	1,2,3

Budgeted cost: £1060

Targeted academic support (for example, tutoring, one-to-one support structured interventions)

Budgeted cost: £2972.50

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Learning support assistant delivering academic guidance (4 hours)	<p>Teaching Assistant Interventions +4 (EEF)</p> <p>'Targeted deployment, where teaching assistants are trained to deliver an intervention to small groups or individuals has a higher impact,'</p> <p>'Research which focuses on teaching assistants who provide one to one or small group targeted interventions shows a stronger positive benefit of between four and six additional months on</p>	1,2,3

	<p>average. Often interventions are based on a clearly specified approach which teaching assistants have been trained to deliver.'</p> <p>'The majority of studies were targeted interventions conducted in primary schools – where the impact is typically a little higher (+5 months) than for secondary age pupils (+4 months). Most of the evidence relates to reading and other aspects of literacy. Impact is lower for mathematics in primary schools (+ 3 months). The majority of effective approaches involve targeted small group or one to one interventions. Impact in small groups tends to be a little lower (+3 months), but this needs to be offset against the greater number of pupils who benefit. Short sessions of around 30 minutes or so, several times a week are most effective.'</p> <p>Making Best Use of Teaching Assistants</p> <p>'Ensure explicit connections are made between learning from everyday classroom teaching structured interventions.</p> <p>Adopt evidence-based interventions to support TAs in their small group and one-to-one instruction.</p> <p>Use TAs to deliver high quality one-to-one and small group support using structured interventions.</p> <p>Ensure TAs are fully prepared for their role in the classroom.</p> <p>Use TAs to add value to what teachers do, not replace them'.</p>
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Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing)

Budgeted cost: £1027.50

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Provide educational materials for those children that require them. For example: loan laptops and tablets. Devices for children affected by Covid isolation. School Uniform if and when required (£75)	Pupils from lower socio-economic households are less likely to be able to afford the cost of school uniforms. (EFF)	4
Fund all educational visits for PP children. Laches Wood (£75) December theatre visit	Arts participation (EEF) 'Arts participation approaches can have a positive impact on academic outcomes in other areas of the curriculum. It is important to remember that arts engagement is valuable in and of itself and that the value of arts participation should be considered beyond maths or English outcomes.	4

	Overall, the average impact of arts participation on other areas of academic learning appears to be positive but moderate, about an additional three months progress. Improved outcomes have been identified in English, mathematics and science. Benefits have been found in both primary and secondary schools. Some arts activities have been linked with improvements in specific outcomes. For example, there is some evidence of the impact of drama on writing and potential link between music and spatial awareness. Wider benefits such as more positive attitudes to learning and increased well-being have also consistently been reported.'	
Provide wraparound care (breakfast club and afterschool club) for five children, whole year. (£877.50)	EEF Breakfast Club Statement + 2 'clear benefits to pupils. In addition to the positive attainment impact found for pupils in Year 2, the independent evaluation also found both improved attendance and behaviour in schools. Most importantly, breakfast clubs help ensure that no child has to learn when they're hungry'	4

Part B: Review of outcomes in the previous academic year

Pupil premium strategy outcomes

This details the impact that our pupil premium activity had on pupils in the 2020 to 2021 academic year.

Due to COVID-19, performance measures have not been published for 2020 to 2021. Internal teacher assessment was as follows non-SENDS: Reading 50%, Writing 0% and Maths 0% of PP children were levelled at the national expected level. All SENDs children attained below NEL in all areas.

Externally provided programmes

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you purchased in the previous academic year. This will help the Department for Education identify which ones are popular in England

Programme	Provider
Read, Write, Inc.	

Service pupil premium funding (optional)

For schools that receive this funding, you may wish to provide the following information:

Measure	Details
How did you spend your service pupil premium allocation last academic year?	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Subsidy of educational visits – to ensure all PP children had equal opportunities to attend educational visits.2. Learning Support Assistant tuition – (8 hours) – improve outcomes for PP children.3. Provide additional educational materials.
What was the impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils?	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. All PP children experienced offsite education with their peers.2. Children received small group and one-to-one academic guidance to diminish the attainment gap between themselves and their peers.3. Ensure no PP child was disadvantaged with resources.4. Afterschool care was provided to those who needed it.

2020/21 allocation: 7690	2020/21 Total amount spent: £7015
Pupil numbers: 6	

Further information

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