



Pupil premium strategy statement

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for) 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 outcomes for disadvantaged pupils last academic year.

School overview

Detail	Data
Number of pupils in school	Fairlawn Primary School
Number of pupils in school	254
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	22% (56 children)
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended – you must still publish an updated statement each academic year)	2021-2024
Date this statement was published	September 2023
Date on which it will be reviewed	July 2024
Statement authorised by	Siobhan Lennox-Brown
Pupil premium lead	Siobhan Lennox-Brown
Governor / Trustee lead	Shelley Flanagan

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£61,007
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year <i>Recovery premium received in academic year 2023/24 cannot be carried forward beyond August 31, 2024.</i>	£0
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (<i>enter £0 if not applicable</i>)	£0
Total budget for this academic year <i>If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year</i>	£61,007

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

At Fairlawn Primary School we believe that all children, from all backgrounds have the right to succeed academically, socially and emotionally. Our aim is to support every child, including our Pupil Premium children, to achieve this irrespective of their starting points.

We understand that Pupil Premium children face challenges and that every child is unique. Our mission is for all staff to have a clear understanding of each child's individual needs and circumstances to ensure that we can overcome all barriers to them achieving academic success.

Currently, 34% of our children are Pupil Premium and SEND, 39% are Pupil Premium and EAL and 7% are Pupil Premium, SEND and EAL. We recognise the importance of high attendance on the academic success of children, the more the children are in school the more access they have to high quality first teaching. Currently, the attendance of our Pupil Premium children is 91.3% which is below the national average, with 32.1% of our Pupil Premium children being persistently absent. As a school, we work closely with families and the Educational Welfare Service to support the improvement of attendance for our children including Pupil Premium children.

Our main objectives are: -

- To improve the attendance of Pupil Premium children so it is in line with non-Pupil Premium children and above national average.
- To ensure our Pupil Premium children who are also EAL or SEND make good or better progress.
- To ensure our Pupil Premium children who have low prior attainment make accelerated progress including multiplication in Year 4.
- To develop language and vocabulary using high quality oracy teaching including early reading and phonics.
- To offer Pupil Premium children access to Cultural Capital opportunities including music enrichment.

In order to achieve our objectives and provide our children with the best possible chance of success, our Pupil Premium strategy focusses on improving the quality of teaching and learning using an evidence-based approach. Educational research and evidence from the Educational Endowment Fund underpin everything we do.

We want to ensure that our curriculum has our children at the heart and is developed and adapted to enable them to show be curious about the world around them and take responsibility of their learning. We want to ensure that the targeted academic support

on offer to our Pupil Premium children are effective, have impact on academic success and meet the individual needs of our children so they can overcome barriers to learning. In order to ensure interventions are effective, they will be delivered by class teachers and teaching assistants who have been equipped with high quality training. The impact of these interventions is consistently reviewed with the use of 'on entry' and 'on exit' criteria which is regularly fed back to class teachers and families so next steps can be written.

We will also be using a range of wider strategies to encourage parental engagement around attendance to improve the attendance of our persistently absent Pupil Premium children. We will also enhance the children's wellbeing and personal development by providing them with a range of opportunities and experiences within and beyond the curriculum including that of Cultural Capital e.g. music lessons, sports clubs, visitors, local walks, trips and residential.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Attendance including those classes as persistently absent
2	EAL and SEND
3	Low prior attainment
4	Language and vocabulary including early reading and phonics
5	Cultural capital opportunities

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
The attendance of Pupil Premium children will improve to that of non-Pupil Premium children and above that national average (96%).	Attendance is national average of 96% or above.
Pupil Premium children who are also EAL or SEND will make good or better progress.	Achieve national average scores in KS1 and KS2 Reading, Writing and Maths. Achieve national standard in the KS1 Phonics Screening

Pupil Premium children with low prior attainment will make accelerated progress including multiplication in Year 4.	Achieve national average scores in KS1 and KS2 Reading, Writing and Maths including multiplication. Achieve national standard in the KS1 Phonics Screening.
The oracy skills of Pupil Premium children will improve to that of non-Pupil Premium children including early reading and phonics.	Achieve in-line or above national average scores in KS1 and KS2 Reading, Writing, Maths and Phonics.
Pupil Premium children will have access to Cultural Capital opportunities including music enrichment.	Children to have a well-rounded curriculum and have opportunities to attend enrichment activities they may not receive outside of school.

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)

Budgeted cost: £15,500

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Pupil Premium Lead and Designated Teacher leading staff CPD and working closely with teachers to improve the quality of teaching and learning and driving outcomes	The DfE has found: Evidence from across the English school system shows that using your pupil premium funding to improve teaching quality is the most effective way to improve outcomes for disadvantaged pupils.	2, 3 and 4
Smaller class sizes where possible	The EEF has found: This approach can be effective (small positive impacts of +2 months) when 2 and 3 5 a change in teaching approach does accompany a class size reduction (which appears hard to achieve until classes are smaller than about 20) then benefits on attainment can be identified, in addition to improvements on behaviour and attitudes.	2 and 3
Phonics training, teaching and interventions	The EEF has found: Phonics has a positive impact overall (+5 months) with very extensive evidence and is an	2 and 3

	important component in the development of early reading skills, particularly for children from disadvantaged backgrounds.	
Introduction of a new Times Table curriculum	The EEF has found: Quick retrieval of number facts is important for success in mathematics.	2 and 3

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

Budgeted cost: £10,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Pastoral Sessions	The EEF has found: On average, support that focus on social and emotional learning has an identifiable and valuable impact on attitudes to learning and social relationships in school. They also have a n average overall impact of four months' additional progress on attainment.	1, 3 and 4
Play Therapy	The EEF has found: On average, support that focus on social and emotional learning has an identifiable and valuable impact on attitudes to learning and social relationships in school. They also have a n average overall impact of four months' additional progress on attainment.	1, 3 and 4

Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing)

Budgeted cost: £35,507

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Educational Welfare Officer and parent engagement support	The EEF has found: Parents play a crucial role in supporting their children's learning, and levels of parental engagement are consistently associated with better academic outcomes. Evidence from our Teaching and Learning Toolkit suggests that effective	1 and 3

	parental engagement can lead to learning gains of +3 months' over the course of a year.	
After school clubs	The EEF has found: Impact of sports participation on academic achievement tends to be positive but low (about two additional months' progress).	1 and 3
Trips and Residentials	Cultural capital support for disadvantaged children will ensure that Pupil Premium children will have 2, 3 and 4 7 the same opportunities as non-Pupil Premium children.	2, 3 and 4
Uniform	The EEF has found: There is some evidence that free school uniforms improve attendance in areas of very high poverty.	1
Small group or 1:1 Music lessons (Bristol Beacon)	The DfE has found: Most children will have their first experience of music at school. It is important that music education of high quality is available to as many of them as possible: it must not become the preserve of those children whose families can afford to pay for music tuition. While music touches the lives of all young people, the disadvantaged can benefit most.	1, 2, 3 and 4
Music enrichment lessons	The DfE has found: Most children will have their first experience of music at school. It is important that music education of high quality is available to as many of them as possible: it must not become the preserve of those children whose families can afford to pay for music tuition. While music touches the lives of all young people, the disadvantaged can benefit most.	1, 2, 3 and 4
Musical instruments	The DfE has found: Most children will have their first experience of music at school. It is important that music education of high quality is available to as many of them as possible: it must not become the preserve of those children whose families can afford to pay for music tuition. While music touches the lives of all young people, the disadvantaged can benefit most.	1, 2, 3 and 4
Milk	Article 24 of the Convention of Children's Rights states: I have the right to nutritious food and clean water.	1 and 3
Breakfast club	The EEF has found: It is not just eating breakfast that delivers improvements but attending a breakfast club. This could be due to the content of the breakfast itself	1 and 3

	or to other social or educational benefits of the club. Article 24 of the Convention of Children's Rights states: I have the right to nutritious food and clean water.	
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Total budgeted cost: £61,007

Part B: Review of the previous academic year

Outcomes for disadvantaged pupils

Last year, our intended outcomes of our Pupil Premium strategy were:

1. The attendance of Pupil Premium children will improve to that of non-Pupil Premium children and above that national average (96%).
2. Pupil Premium children who are also EAL or SEND will make good or better progress.
3. Pupil Premium children with low prior attainment will make accelerated progress.
4. The oracy skills of Pupil Premium children will improve to that of non-Pupil Premium children.

Were the intended outcomes met?

1. The attendance of Pupil Premium children in the academic year 2022-23 was 91.29% compared to 95.59% of non-Pupil Premium children. This is slight increase between the two key groups and an area that needs continued work in 2023-24. The school have continued to send letters and met with parents of those dropping below the desired 96% attendance. The school has ongoing communication with the Educational Welfare Officer to discuss children whose attendance has dropped below 90%.
2. Children who are both Pupil Premium and SEND or both Pupil Premium and EAL have made progress but are still working below that of non-Pupil Premium and non-SEND or non-Pupil Premium and non-EAL children. Children who are in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, top-up funding or an EHCP are given additional support through the use of high quality teaching assistants. The school continue to track the progress of EAL learners through Babcock assessments. The trust have recruited a new EAL lead who will be offering additional support. The school continue to track the progress of SEND learners (those working at a B2 level) through the Birmingham toolkit.
3. In Reading, 67% of Pupil Premium children achieved expected standard in the Phonics Screening Check compared to 97% of non-Pupil Premium children; this is the 3 children. KS1 reading saw 60% of Pupil Premium children achieving the standard compared to 72% of non-Pupil Premium children. In KS2, of the 3 children who didn't meet in reading, were Pupil Premium. The school continues to offer interventions for Pupil Premium children in reading and have a target to reduce the gap next academic year.
4. All classrooms now have Word Aware resources which are used as part of everyday teaching and learning. Words are displayed on boards and meanings

discussed as a class. Many Pupil Premium children still require support for their oracy skills and this remains a school target for the new academic year. Staff have had training on the use of Oracy and the EYFS Lead has run a project in EYFS to accelerate children's vocabulary.