

Pupil Premium Report to Parents 2024-25

The Pupil Premium was introduced in April 2011. It is additional funding given to publicly funded schools in England to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and to close any gaps between them and their peers.

Pupil premium funding is also given to support pupils with parents in the Armed Forces and to children who are, or have been, fostered or adopted.

The Pupil Premium is additional to main school funding and it will be used by this school to address any underlying inequalities between children eligible by ensuring that funding reaches the pupils who need it most.

KEY BARRIERS

- Disadvantaged groups may have low aspirations and low expectations/ limited life experiences such as travel outside local area visits that support educational development eg trips to museums or places linked to topics that are being studied in class
- Disrupted home backgrounds or challenging home circumstances
- Mobility – school moves
- Unsettled behaviour/ behaviour difficulties
- Minimal home support for homework, reading and supporting homework that addresses gaps in learning
- Some disadvantaged pupils do not attend school regularly, have low attendance levels and miss significant amounts of school.

OBJECTIVES FOR PUPIL PREMIUM IN THIS SCHOOL

1. The Pupil Premium will be used to provide additional educational support to improve the progress and to raise the standard of achievement for these pupils
2. The funding will be used to narrow and close the gap between the achievement of these pupils and their peers
3. As far as its powers allow the school will use the additional funding to address any underlying inequalities between children eligible for Pupils Premium and others
4. We will ensure that the additional funding reaches the pupils who need it most and that it makes a significant impact on their education and lives.

ACCOUNTABILITY

The head teacher and leadership team will regularly and rigorously monitor, evaluate and review the strategies we have put into place for Pupil Premium and report to the governing body on its progress and impact

All our work through the pupil premium will be aimed at accelerating progress; moving pupils entitled to PP funding to at least age related expectations. Initially this will be in English and mathematics.

STATISTICS

- 23% of all pupils at Culcheth Primary are entitled to pupil premium and benefit from the additional funding.
- In the 2024/2025 academic year the school received £additional funds.

STRATEGY FOR USING THE FUNDING

Evidence suggests that pupil premium spending is most effective when used across 3 areas.

1. High-quality teaching, such as staff professional development.
2. Targeted academic support, such as tutoring.
3. Wider strategies to address non-academic barriers to success in schools, such as attendance, behaviour and social and emotional support.

The Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) recommend that schools particularly focus their pupil premium on supporting high-quality teaching.

The school has looked carefully at the needs of each pupil and we have decided to use the following intervention strategies:

Number of pupils and pupil premium grant (PPG)received		
Total number of pupils on role	218	
Total number of pupils eligible for PPG	43	
Amount of PPG received per pupil	£1480 – pupil premium/ £2570 – children formerly in care	
Total amount of PPG received	£73241	
Record of Spending by item/project 2023/24 (April- March)		
Teaching assistant support – including class support, specialist interventions and tutoring and Early morning Clubs/ after school clubs	£20000	Range of support offered; one to one and small group support to targeted children. Early morning Club – Out of school additional support offered to target children.

Additional teacher support	£40000	KS2 support for Maths and English to enable each class to be split in half resulting in a very low teacher pupil ratio to give tailored learning experiences at each child's individual level.
Resources	£8500	Specialist material purchased to support in small intervention groups
Club and Trip subsidies	£4741	All pupil premium children are offered 3 clubs free of charge All pupils who are currently eligible for FSM are given a significantly reduced cost for residential trips
	£73241	
Performance of pupils eligible for PPG		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Lexia programme used to support reading showed that pupils regularly taking part in the learning programme made accelerated progress. In 2025 Y6 SATs In reading 100% of PP pupils were expected level with 83% Scoring greater depth. In Maths 100% of PP pupils were at expected level with 50% with Greater depth. In writing 83% were at expected level. In Y1 phonics test 100% of pupils eligible for Pupil premium reached the expected level 		
<p><u>How we will measure impact</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using summative data from termly tests and pupil progress discussions Analysis of attendance data Observing children's self-confidence and independence Using data from Online programmes; Mathseeds, Lexia, and ReadingPlus Using class teacher and teaching assistant's assessments Checking completion of homework and reading Using formal external tests (Y6 – phonics Y1) 		

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