



"Where children come first"

Pupil Premium Policy

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OVERVIEW

The Pupil Premium is additional funding given to schools in England for the specific purpose of raising the attainment of pupils from low income families and closing the gap between them and their peers. The funding is allocated to schools to work with pupils who have been registered for free school meals at any point in the last six years. This is known as 'Ever 6 FSM'.

Schools also receive funding for children who have been 'Looked After' (in Local Authority care), were adopted from care on or after 30 December 2005, or left care under a special guardianship or residency order.

A premium has also been introduced for children whose parents are currently serving in the armed forces. This service premium is designed to address the emotional and social well-being of these pupils.

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. The School has a needs led approach.

Why has it been introduced?

The Government believes that the Pupil Premium, which is additional to main school funding, is the best way to address the current underlying inequalities between children eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) and their wealthier peers by ensuring that funding to tackle disadvantage reaches the pupils who need it most.

Whilst schools are free to spend the Pupil Premium as they see fit we are required to publish online information about how we have used the Premium.

Current Eligibility Criteria

Eligibility for free school meals is the main measure of deprivation at pupil level. This includes pupils who are, or have been:

- registered as eligible for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years

Funding is also allocated to support looked-after children. Eligibility for funding will be extended to all children who:

- have been looked after for 1 day or more
- were adopted from care on or after 30 December 2005
- left care under:
 - a Special Guardianship Order on or after 30 December 2005
 - a Residence Order on or after 14 October 1991

Funding is also allocated to support children whose parents serve in the armed forces.

OBJECTIVES

- 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.
- The funding will be used to narrow and close the gap between the achievement of these pupils and their peers.
- 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.
- 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.

STRATEGIES

- Pupil Premium will be clearly identifiable within the budget
- The Headteacher in consultation with the governors and staff, will decide how the Pupil Premium is spent for the benefit of entitled pupils
- The school will assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils.
- The school will be accountable for how it has used the additional funding to support the achievement of those pupils covered by the Pupil Premium and the Headteacher will report to the governing body and parents on how effective the intervention has been in achieving its aims.
- The school will publish online (on the school website) information about how we have used the Premium.
- We will ensure that parents, governors and others are made fully aware of the attainment and progress of pupils covered by the Premium.
- We will seek to further develop strategies and interventions which can improve the progress and attainment of these pupils.
- We will track the impact of the strategies put into place through the funding to ensure that we can show the value that has been added to the education of the entitled children.
- We will monitor evaluate and review the success of the impact of the pupil premium funding.

OUTCOMES

This policy will play an important part in the educational development of the individual pupils who are entitled to the Pupil Premium.

We will ensure that these pupils are treated equally and as favourably as others and that the additional funding is used well to address the challenges they face. The school will use the additional funding to promote the achievement and progress of all entitled pupils. Through wise use of this additional funding we are fully committed to ensuring that the individual needs of each entitled child are met.

As a result of the additional funding, it is the schools aim that these children will make better progress and achieve higher standards that would have been likely without it.