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	Ferndale Primary School
Number of pupils in school	618
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	21%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium	2021/22
strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2022/23
	2023/24
Date this statement was published	October 2021
Date on which it will be reviewed	July 2022
Statement authorised by	
Pupil premium lead	Mrs Rachel Sutton
Governor / Trustee lead	Mr Richard Evans

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£192,265
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£19,036
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£211,301

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

At Ferndale, we have high aspirations and ambitions for our children and we believe that no child should be left behind. We strongly believe that it is not about where you come from but your passion and thirst for knowledge, and your dedication and commitment to learning that make the difference between success and failure, and we are determined to ensure that our children are given every chance to realise their full potential. Our key drivers of Inspiration, Aspiration and Inclusion are at the heart of our curriculum and our approach to planning for our pupil premium children.

We recognise that common barriers to learning for disadvantaged children, can be financial, less support at home, weak language and communication skills, lack of confidence, more frequent behaviour difficulties and attendance and punctuality issues. There may also be complex family situations that prevent children from reaching their full potential.

The challenges are varied and complex meaning there is no "one size fits all".

Our ultimate objectives are:

- ✓ To narrow the attainment gap between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils.
- ✓ For all disadvantaged pupils in school to make or exceed nationally expected progress rates.
- ✓ To support our children's social and emotional health to enable them to access learning at an appropriate level.
- ✓ To support our families to ensure that no child is left behind or has less opportunity at school.
- ✓ To ensure our children attend school and are on time, to ensure there is no lost learning time.

We aim to do this through:

- ✓ Ensuring that all children across the school receive at least good teaching, with increasing percentages of outstanding teaching
- ✓ Investing in highly skilled HLTA practitioners to support teaching and to deliver quality interventions.
- ✓ Investing in 1:3 tutoring led by experienced Ferndale teachers, alongside NTP.
- ✓ Ensuring that teaching and learning opportunities meet the needs of all the pupils, through skilful differentiation, including additional adult support.
- ✓ Supporting pupils through bespoke mentoring to improve their social and emotional health and behaviour.
- ✓ Supporting families financially through subsidised trips, enhancing opportunities for music and physical activity, alongside experiences out of school, such as day and residential trips.
- ✓ Supporting families via our attendance officer and parent support worker, breaking down barriers and ensuring good attendance

When making provision for socially disadvantaged pupils, we recognise that not all pupils who receive free school meals will be socially disadvantaged

We also recognise that not all pupils who are socially disadvantaged are registered or qualify for free school meals. We reserve the right to allocate the Pupil Premium funding to support any pupil or groups of pupils the school has legitimately identified as being socially disadvantaged eg have a social worker or who act as a carer.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	The attainment gap – pupils have starting points well below their non PP
	peers and there is a significant gap in many year groups
2	The attainment gap in children achieving greater depth
3	Parental engagement and financial circumstances
4	Attendance – there is a negative gap in the attendance of PP compared to non PP
5	Behaviour – pupils with specific social and emotional needs which affect their learning

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
Progress in Reading, writing and maths KS 1-2	Achieve national average progress scores in KS2
Attainment in Reading, writing and maths are improving for PP children	Close the gap between PP and non PP at ARE and GDS across years 1-6
Phonics standards are improving for PP children	Achieve national average expected standard in PSC in year 1 and 2 Close the gap between PP and non PP
Attendance improves for PP children.	increase attendance for PP children to ensure it is close to the NA reduce the % of PA for PP 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)

Budgeted cost: £ 120,265

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
To close the gap in attainment for PP children compared to non PP in all year groups in reading, • General support to focus on PP children, developing basic skills for reading through	EEF: Metacognition and self- regulation + 7 months	1,2
 interventions and 1:1 reading Lexia Intervention Enhanced resources – reading books 	Reading comprehension strategies + 6 months	
 CPD via bespoke TLR developing metacognition and self regulation Additional HLTA capacity to enhance 	Small group tuition + 4months feedback +6 months	
opportunities to deliver to smaller groups.		
To close the gap in attainment for PP children compared to non PP in all year groups in writing • Further resources for kinetic letters • CPD – developing effective feedback and	EEF Metacognition and self- regulation + 7 months	1,2
 marking and moderation. Additional HLTA capacity to enhance opportunities to deliver to smaller groups. 	Small group tuition + 4months Feedback +6 months	
To close the gap in attainment for PP children compared to non PP in all year groups in maths. • Additional HLTA capacity to enhance	EEF Metacognition and self- regulation + 7 months	1,2
 opportunities to deliver to smaller groups. CPD via bespoke TLR developing metacognition and self regulation. Enhance resources for teaching concepts 	Small group tuition + 4months feedback +6 months	
To close the gap between PP and non PP pupils passing the phonics check at year 1 and 2 Targeted Support Staff in years 1 and 2 Additional HLTA capacity to enhance opportunities to deliver to smaller groups	EEF Small group tuition + 4months phonics intervention +5 months	1,2
To close the gap between PP and non PP pupils reaching the expected standard in EYFS Bespoke interventions Speech and language development via Neli	EEF Early years Interventions + 5 months	1,2
	Oral language intervention + 6 months	

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

Budgeted cost: £64,036

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Attendance officer (PSW) -to phone/text parents on 1st day of absences -to monitor PA -letters sent to parents -meetings with parents -working closely with LA attendance and prosecution service	EEF Parental engagement +4 months	3, 4
Rewards for termly and yearly attendance purchased.		
1:3 tuition provided for all PP children to address gaps in their knowledge and skills	EEF: Small group tuition +4 months 1:1 tuition + 5months,	1,2
NTP and school based teachers used to deliver tuition (recovery premium to top-up costs)		
Learning Zones across school for children with specific SEN needs.	EEF Small group tuition + 4 months	1,2
SEN K specific intervention and resources to deliver effectively		

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

Budgeted cost: £27,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
To develop enrichment opportunities for PP	EEF	3,5
children	Outdoor adventure learning +	,
 To increase the numbers of PP pupils playing a musical instrument. 	4 months	
50% subsidy on trips and residential.	Arts + 3 months	
50% subsidy for external visitors to enhance the curriculum.		
Contribution towards whole school visitors / experiences eg theatre groups Enhancement of the learning environment		
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To promote well being and offer specific support to specific children and their families.	EEF	3,4,5

•	A Parent Support Worker officer to work with disadvantaged families. Provide support for	Behaviour +4 months
	the families during their time at Ferndale and transition to secondary school.	Social and emotional +4 months
•	To promote confidence, self- esteem and	
	confidence in learning by assisting with purchases of uniform and equipment needed	Sports participation + 2 months
	for school if needed. Specific intervention eg BlueSkies play	Mentoring +2 months
	therapy etc	3
•	Behaviour support / mentoring for identified PP and LAC pupils through 1:1 and group sessions – for both KS 1 and 2.	Physical activity +1 month
•	To support children and provide support	
	specifically lunch and play to prevent	
	exclusions.	

Total budgeted cost: £211,301

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.

Aim	Outcome
To close the gap in attainment for PP	GLD EYFS Aut baseline 20% ARE - Summer 58%
children compared to non PP in all	GLD
year groups in reading, writing and	KS 1 –
maths.	R –ARE + 8% GDS + 15%
	W –ARE, + 14% GDS =%
	M - +7% GDS + 46%
	KS 2 –
	R –ARE, + 28% GDS + 10%
	W –ARE + 31% GDS +7%
	M –ARE +24% GDS +10%
	Summer 21 – whole school gaps
	Reading closed by 3% at ARE = at GDS
	Writing closed by 5% at ARE and 2% at GDS
	maths closed by 5% at ARE and widened by 5% at
	GDS
To close the gap between PP and non	in 2021 69% of PP children gained the EXS in the
PP pupils passing the phonics check.	phonics screening (in school testing) – this was an
for PP children in all areas.	increase of 62% from baselines
	In December 2020 87% of PP passed the National
	Phonics screen, by summer 21, using in school
	testing, 93% had met the standard.
To continue to close the attendance	PP attendance increased from 88.9 in 2019/20 to
and punctuality issues for PP children.	94.2% in 2020/21
	Authorised absence has reduced from 11.2 to 4.1
To reduce the % of PA children who	Authorised absence has reduced from 11.2 to 4.1
are PP.	Lateness has reduced from 1.2 to 0.8
	Gap between PP and non PP attendance is 2.3%

Externally provided programmes

Programme	Provider
Lexia reading intervention	