Pupil premium strategy statement – Reviewed 1.9.24

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2022 to 2023 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	St. Cuthbert's School
Number of pupils in school	65
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	23% (15 pupils)
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	Sep 2022 – July 2025
Date this statement was published	September 2022
Date for next review	January 2025
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Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	15 x £1455 = £21 , 825
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	
Total budget for this academic year	£21, 825
If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

Pupil Premium pupils at St. Cuthbert's School, will make expected progress in reading, writing and maths, through quality first teaching and increased opportunities for reinforcement of learning at home. We have overhauled our teaching of phonics and early reading. We aim for disadvantaged pupils to have access to a wide range of interventions in schools to meet their needs and remover barriers to their learning.

We will provide an intensive pastoral support service for pupils and parents, identified by school as vulnerable or in need. We will aim for disadvantaged pupils to increase their attendance at school, therefore closing the gap between themselves and non-disadvantaged pupils and thus enabling them to experience the full learning experience at St. Cuthbert's School.

We will facilitate pupils accessing a wide range of enrichment experiences both in and out of school, which will positively impact on their academic achievement and wellbeing.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Reading outcomes across schools, especially for PP and SEN pupils are below age expected, and low in comparison with peers.
2	Increased numbers of pupils with complex needs, including speech and language, social communication, poor working memory, attention difficulties, motor skills, social emotional and mental health.
3	Limited life experiences and opportunities to join in enrichment opportunities due to circumstances, including the Covid pandemic.
4	Some disadvantaged pupils have lower attendance due to low importance of school for some parents.

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
Pupils make at least expected progress in all subjects, especially reading.	Gap will close in progress made between PP and non PP.
Increase overlearning and reinforcement in reading and maths at home and school.	Increase in reading ages and mental maths for PP pupils
Pupils access a wide range of interventions to meet their SEND needs, including SEMH needs through our specialist provision.	Barriers to learning will be addresses, therefore PP and SEND pupils make expected progress or exceed their targets set in R,W,M.
An intensive home school link service will be provided by to support pupils and/or parents, identified by school as vulnerable or in need.	Parents indicate there are strong links between home and school and support is received for a wide range of needs. Children are provided with pastoral care, guidance and support to raise selfesteem and develop skills of resilience, independence and perseverance. Behaviour incidents are reduced in school due to behaviour support in the home.
PP attendance increases.	Attendance of identified PP pupils increases and the gap between PP and non PP narrows.
Pupils access a wide range of enrichment experiences both in and out of school.	Pupil surveys reflect enjoyment in school and improved attitudes to learning. Social skills, independence, perseverance and team work are developed.

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

Budgeted cost: £ 4200

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
All teachers and TAs - CPD focussed on how children learn and on high quality teaching across the whole school.	Speech and language is one of the main barriers to pupils progressing in reading, writing, maths and the wider curriculum. Our intent has a focus on the importance of spoken language and improving pupils' use and understanding of vocabulary.	1, 2
Reading has been identified as a whole school priority – attainment in reading as well as a developing a love of reading.	Staff CPD on pedagogical approaches to teaching reading - agreed in the English Intent. The previous reading scheme was not fit for purpose - £3000 has been spent on new reading scheme resources, new phonically decodable books in EYFS and KS1. £500 spent on buying a set of core books for each year group – high quality and language rich literature. £300 on Kindles for PP pupils to access St. Cuthbert's School are working with the Outwood English Hub to ensure high quality teaching and resources and to plan next steps.	1, 2, 3, 4
Little Wandle (DfE validated Phonics programme purchased to ensure consistency and the delivery of a high quality phonics programme	£700 send on a validated phonic programme – ensuring teacher subject knowledge and the appropriate delivery of a high quality and validated phonics programme.	1, 2, 3

Targeted academic support (for example structured interventions)

Budgeted cost: £5000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
 NTP delivered to identified PP pupils and pupils at risk of 	EEF - There is a large body of evidence that tutoring and small-group tuition is effective – particularly where it is targeted at pupils'	1, 2, 3 and 4

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underachieving – focus on Maths and English whole school improvement focus.	specific needs; and that it can be particularly effective for disadvantaged pupils.	
Nurture Hub to meet the SEMH needs of the most vulnerable pupils in school.	 EEF – social and emotional learning – improves interaction with others and self - management of emotions – impacts on attitudes to learning and social relationships in school, which increases progress in attainment. Boxall reports from before and after SEMH intervention will show that this intervention has the desired impact on the wellbeing of the pupil as well as an impact on their attainment. 	1, 2, 3, 4
 Quality first teaching for all pupils. TA CPD is ongoing for Maths and English by leads Maths and English are high priority on school development plan and CPD plan. Pupil Progress meetings track progress of PP pupils and appropriate, timely interventions are put in place. 	 EEF guide to pupil premium – tiered approach – teaching is the top priority, including CPD. New teaching and learning policy introduced – focus on cognitive science, limitations of the working memory and reducing cognitive overload. Sutton Trust – quality first teaching has direct impact on student outcomes. Training and supporting highly qualified teachers deliver targeted support. 	1,2
Purchase web based programs to be used in school at home. Reading Plus Purple Mash Times tables Rock stars IDL – dyslexia (and dyslexic tendencies) app	EEF toolkit – parental engagement EEF guide to pupil premium – targeted academic support EEF – digital technology – clear evidence technology approaches are beneficial for writing and maths practice.	1,2
Kanga Sports delivering weekly interventions (Maths on the Move and English on the Move) - focus on closing gaps as well as SEMH	£3000 – evidence based interventions for pupils who need to close gaps in their learning in a different way.	

support for	
pupils.	

Wider strategies

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

Budgeted cost: £ 10,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
 Daily emotional check ins with the opportunity to talk to someone – promoting good mental health habits. Providing breakfast for everyone – hot, buttered toast. 	EEF SEL – developing vocabulary around emotions Developing life long good habits for maintaining good metal health.	1, 2, 3, 4
 Full time Home School Link Worker FSW contacts all new families as join, finds out needs and circumstances and offers support. Consent form filled in. Register of families and level of support required. PP families receive a half termly call from FSW - offers of support. Home visits Signposting for support DSL and FSW attends TAF, CIN, CP meetings 	Parent surveys Decrease in numbers of families in CIN, CP due to increase in families accessing early intervention from home school link worker. Dedicated person in the role, who builds a relationship where the parents trust them and feels they will listen to them and provides them with the support they require, leads to improved relationships with school and home lives for the whole family. EEF toolkit— Parental engagement	1,2, 3, 4
Attendance Team phones families at 9.15 am if pupil not in school and offers support.	Attendance data Data shows pupils with highest attendance make the most progress at the Federation due to increased opportunities for	1,4

FSW works closely with the DSL for attendance, pupils below 96% are identified and protocols followed.	overlearning and access to a personalised curriculum. Dedicated person who monitors attendance and who has a good relationship with parents is most effective at ensuring good pupil attendance.	
 Cultural capital experiences promoted in the curriculum. 	Learning is contextualised in concrete experiences and language rich environments.	3
 Essential experiences built into the curriculum offer 	Ofsted research (2019) places emphasis on improving cultural capital, particularly for disadvantaged pupils.	
 Reduction in cost of trips for PP Residential trip cost is greatly reduced for 	Pupil surveys reflect greater enjoyment and engagement in school.	
 Sports events promoted to PP are encouraged to attend 	Enrichment activities offer children a context for leaning and a stimulus to trigger their interest which can be evidenced in pupil books and data.	
Outdoor learning encouraged	EEF – sports participation increases educational engagement and attainment. EEF – outdoor adventure learning shows positive benefits on academic learning and self -confidence.	