

Pupil Premium

What is Pupil Premium?

The pupil premium is an additional amount of money allocated to schools in addition to main school funding. It is designed to address the current national inequalities between children eligible for free school meals/Looked After Children and their better off peers by ensuring that funding to tackle disadvantage reaches the pupils that need it most. It was first introduced in April 2011.

How much is pupil premium?

In 2011/12 The amount received by the school was calculated using a sum of £900 for each child eligible for free school meals, forces children and for pupils in care who have been continuously looked after for six months. This was increased to £1800 per pupil in 13/14

In 2011/12 – we received no pupil premium funding

In 12/13 – we received £900 in pupil premium funding [1 child] see attached plan.

In 13/14 – we received £3,600 in pupil premium funding [2 children]

How have we used the money?

In 2012/13 the grant was used to employ and train a teaching assistant in literacy and maths intervention programmes. We can now offer targeted support using Read, Write Inc. and Talk Boost . Pupils have 1-1 and small group sessions to develop their basic skills as required.

This year we will continue with our interventions and also train staff in a handwriting support programme. We will also fund a member of staff through a play therapy course and use this in the development of our nurture groups. We continue to use some of the grant to employ an addition teaching assistant.

What impact has pupil premium had?

The support offered has allowed some of our pupils to make the same or better progress than other children in core areas of the curriculum (see data below). Where this is not the case it is due to children also having specific SEN needs or very low starting points in addition to them receiving pupil premium funding. It should be noted that the small numbers of children that receive funding in our school often make it difficult to draw conclusions from the data.

