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Pupil Premium Grant at English Martyrs Catholic Primary School

Purpose of the Grant

- 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. As a group, children who have been eligible for FSM at any point in time have consistently lower educational attainment than those who have never been eligible for FSM.
- In most cases the Pupil Premium is allocated to schools and is clearly identifiable. It is for schools to decide how the Pupil Premium, allocated to schools per FSM pupil, is spent, since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils within their responsibility.

Key Facts about the Pupil Premium Grant

- The level of the premium in 2011-12 is £488 per pupil for pupils eligible for free school meals (FSM) and for pupils in care who have been continuously looked after for six months. It will increase to £600 per pupil in 2012-13.
- A premium has also been introduced for children whose parents are currently serving in the armed forces; this was £200 in 2011-12 and rose to £250 for 2012-13. This service premium is designed to address the emotional and social well-being of these pupils.
- The Government has decided that eligibility for the Pupil Premium in 2012-13 will be extended to pupils who have been eligible for free school meals (FSM) at any point in the last 6 years.

Our School and the Pupil Premium Grant

The latest ACORN data indicates that 70% of our children come from families classed as 'hard-pressed'. We have a higher than National average percentage of children in receipt of free school meals.

In the financial year 2012/2013 we were allocated a Pupil Premium Grant of £40,950.

This funding has allowed us to invest in:

- Resourcing the curriculum so that the children have increased access to practical and investigative apparatus and equipment. This has ensured parity in experiential activities for all children, regardless of background. (£3000)



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- Some of the funding has been used to extend the school's Home School Readers, so that children are not disadvantaged, through lack of family funds, to accessing reading material. (£2000)
- Some of the funding has been set on one side to ensure any child, regardless of a family's financial situation, can access extended provision and enrichment activities. (£3000)

However, the bulk of the grant has been used to purchase additional resources to which children at our school in respect of whom grant funding was allocated have first priority:

- Catholic Care worker (£12000)
- Reading Recovery trained teacher (£7000)
- Wakefield Wildcats Community Trust partnership agreement (£1000)
- Teaching assistants deployed to cover interventions (£13000)

Impact of the Pupil Premium Grant Funding Allocation

Whilst some of the impact of this funding can be extrinsically measured in terms of attainment and rates of progress much of it is intrinsic. It is about enabling all children to feel confident, to have good self-worth, to strengthen emotional and social well-being. Ultimately, it is to give parity of opportunity, regardless of background.

Children at our school in respect of whom this funding was allocated achieved the following last year:

Year group	Attainment measure	Progress measure	Achievement in comparison to peers
KS2 2012 (Y6) Six children in receipt of Free School Meals (FSM) Within this group there were children with additional barriers to learning eg Special Educational Needs or English as an Additional Language.	2/3 attained maths at L4 with one child attaining L5; 83% attained L4 in reading, of which one attained L5; and 100% attained L4 in writing, of which one L5.	2/3 made 2 levels of progress from KS1 result in maths; 83% (5 children) made 2 levels of progress from their KS1 result reading; 100% made the expected 2 levels progress in writing	This group are well placed to start the next phase of their education without inequality



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<p>KS1 2012 (Y2) Seven children in receipt of FSM</p> <p>Within this group there are additional barriers to learning eg Special Educational Needs or English as an Additional Language.</p>	<p>57% (4 children) attained L2+ in reading, writing and maths. One of these children attained L3.</p>	<p>Progress in reading and writing in Y2 was very good (APS gain 6.1) and in maths outstanding (APS gain 6.8)</p>	<p>Focus for support in early KS2 as the gap between this group and peers has not yet sufficiently closed.</p>
<p>Y1 Phonics Nine children in receipt of FSM</p>	<p>100% attained the phonics test and 100% have at least attained the National expectation L1b</p>		<p>Well placed to start the next phase of their education without inequality</p>

Overall, the majority of children at English Martyrs who are eligible for pupil premium funding are achieving well from their starting points.

A significant number of children have benefitted from strong pastoral support from the school team, including input from Catholic Care.