



Ward Green Primary School

Pupil Premium Policy – January 2017

Principles

All members of staff and governors accept responsibility for 'socially disadvantaged' pupils and are committed to meeting their pastoral, social and academic needs within a caring environment. This is an essential, integral part of the spiritual development of our whole school community.

As with every child in our care, a child who is considered to be 'socially disadvantaged' is valued, respected and entitled to develop to his/her full potential, irrespective of need or background.

Rationale of the Pupil Premium

The Pupil Premium was introduced in April 2011 as a Government initiative that targets additional money for pupils from deprived backgrounds who, research shows, underachieve compared to their non-deprived peers. The grant is delegated to schools based on school census figures for pupils registered as eligible for FSM in reception to Year 11. For looked after children the Pupil Premium was calculated using the Children Looked After data returns. 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 Government expects schools to employ strategies that they know will support their pupils to increase their attainment, and 'narrow the gap'. 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.

Objectives

1. 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
2. The funding will be used to narrow and close the gap between the achievement of these pupils and their peers
3. 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



4. 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

1. Pupil Premium will be clearly identifiable within the budget
2. The headteacher, in consultation with the governors and staff, will decide how the Pupil Premium is spent for the benefit of entitled pupils
3. The school will assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils.
4. 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.
5. We will publish annually online information about how we have used the Premium.
6. We will ensure that parents, governors and others are made fully aware of the attainment of pupils covered by the Premium.
7. We will seek to further develop strategies and interventions which can improve the progress and attainment of these pupils.
8. 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.
9. We will monitor evaluate and review the success of the impact of the pupil premium funding.
10. 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, these children will make better progress and achieve higher standards that would have been likely without it.

Appeals

If any further information be required this should be referred to the Headteacher. Subsequently, any appeal in connection with the disposition of the pupil premium funding will be dealt with through the Governors' appeals panel.

Date Adopted by the Governing Body: 18 January 2017