

ST GEORGE'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
POLICY FOR THE USE OF PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING

At St George's we believe that *every* child with his/her individual needs and abilities is a unique gift from God. It is our responsibility to ensure that every child meets their full potential and we are committed to supporting their pastoral, social and academic needs within a caring Christian environment. This is an essential, integral part of the spiritual development of the whole school community.

Overview

The Pupil Premium was introduced in April 2011 and is a Government initiative that targets extra money at pupils from deprived backgrounds, who research shows underachieve compared to their non-deprived peers. The premium is provided in order to support these pupils in reaching their potential.

The Government have used pupils entitled to Free School meals as an indicator for deprivation, and have deployed a fixed amount of money to schools per pupil, based on the number of pupils registered for Free School meals. This fixed amount of money will increase every year in the course of this current Parliament. Schools are free to spend the Pupil Premium as they see fit. However they will be held accountable for how they have used the additional funding to support pupils from low-income families.

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 ensure that parents, governors and others are made fully aware of the attainment of pupils covered by the Premium.

6. We will seek to further develop strategies and interventions which can improve the progress and attainment of these pupils.

7. 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.

The range of provision

- Facilitating pupils' access to education
- Facilitating pupils access to the curriculum
- Additional teaching and learning opportunities
- Alternative support and intervention, arranged through a pupil's parents, where funds are available after securing the school's own programme

OUTCOMES

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.

This policy was last reviewed in Autumn 2017 and will be reviewed annually