

St Andrew's CE Primary School



'Following God's path to flourish in life'

Pupil Premium Strategy Statement

2023 - 2024

School overview

Detail	Data
Number of pupils in school	143
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	7.7% (disadvantaged pupils) 8.4% (service pupils)
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers	2023-2024
Date this statement was published	December 2023
Date on which it will be reviewed	September 2024
Statement authorised by	Paul Hayward
Pupil premium lead	Paul Hayward
Governor / Trustee lead	Jan Griffiths

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£22,140
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£2,000
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£4,282
Total budget for this academic year	£28,422

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

At St Andrew's, our intent is to support our pupils academically, socially and emotionally to ensure that they feel safe and happy, and are therefore able to flourish in all aspects of school life. Our whole school ethos is underpinned by policies and practice that supports our pupils to become life-long learners irrespective of their background or the challenges they face, with the aspiration that they are equipped with the skills, knowledge and confidence to move onto the next phase in their education when the leave St Andrew's. Our focus on social and emotional wellbeing helps each child to be 'ready to learn'. We strive to foster in our pupils a positive and open mind-set that allows them to fully access the opportunities that they are offered and participate in all learning experiences with perseverance, curiosity and independence. Pupils play an active part in their own learning journey through the encouragement of pupil voice and due to staff nurturing their sense of responsibility for their own success. Achievements are highlighted and celebrated, next steps are identified and worked towards and positive peer relationships are essential in supporting mastery approaches.

With any pupil who attracts funding, whether disadvantaged or service pupils, an assessment is made of their needs and how any funding (if required) should be allocated to serve the specific needs of the pupil. High-quality teaching consolidates and builds upon strengths, and targets and supports areas of required development. All pupils (disadvantaged or otherwise) are treated and celebrated as individuals and the in-depth knowledge that staff have of their pupils allows them to quickly access appropriate support. Whilst one of our ultimate aims is to sustain and further develop the attainment and progress of disadvantaged pupils, implicit in the intended outcomes detailed below, is the intention that non-disadvantaged pupils' attainment will be sustained and improved alongside progress for their disadvantaged peers.

Challenges

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

Detail of challenge

- 1. Ensuring that children with SEND receive the focused support they need
- 2. Supporting the social and emotional wellbeing of all pupils, paying particular attention to disadvantaged and service children
- 3. Lower attainers are not meeting the expected standard in core subjects, particularly reading and writing
- 4. Some pupils are unable to access enrichment curricular activities due to cost implications

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
Children who have special educational needs, particularly new to the school, are well supported.	All SEND children have a support plan in place and are having their needs met. Plans are having a greater impact on the children's learning. Strategies are clearly evident in lessons which support SEND children.
Intervention opportunities are specifically planned for children to support their social and emotional wellbeing.	Children will be identified for targeted, effective intervention in order to ensure that they are 'ready to learn' and are effectively and appropriately supported, for example, through support mentors, 'Attachment and Trauma Pathway' training and nurture strategies. Trauma counsellors have a positive impact on children's wellbeing.
3. Children who started school as lower attainers make additional progress to ensure they meet, at least, the expected standards in the core subjects (Reading, writing and maths)	The children grow in confidence in the core subjects and this is reflected in teacher assessments and assessment standardised scores.
4. All pupils will have access to the full curriculum provided, including extra-curricular opportunities both inside and outside of the school.	Financial barriers will not stop the pupils from accessing a full and rich curriculum available to their peers as all educational visits extra-curricular opportunities.

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 Priorities

Budgeted cost: £11,273

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number
Inclusion lead working across the MAT to advise and support staff, and manage and monitor SEN interventions (a high proportion of which are disadvantaged pupils)	*This gives access to immediate expertise that is required to assess and refer pupils with specific additional needs (either academic or social and emotional). *Staff are advised and supported in the management of pupils within a classroom situation, the pathway required if seeking a diagnosis/assistance from outside agencies, and when liaising with parents and carers /attending formal meetings.	1,2,3
Teaching staff CPD to introduce effective reasonable adjustments	Disadvantaged children who struggle to access learning will be better supported in class as reasonable adjustments to learning experiences will facilitate greater access to their learning.	1,2
For children to access the full curriculum because they are emotionally ready to learn.	*A child's emotional wellbeing influences whether they are ready to learn. Putting in the right emotional support at the right time is essential for some children's success.	1,2,3,4
	Statutory framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage – overarching principles (including the characteristics of effective learners) inform our Behaviour Policy.	
	*If pupils understand how they learn and how to regulate themselves they will be able to better equipped to develop their own learning behaviours.	
	EEF Toolkit - Evidence suggests the use of 'metacognitive strategies' — which get pupils to think about their own learning — can be worth the equivalent of an additional +7 months' progress when used well.	



Targeted academic support

Budgeted cost: £16,240

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s)
Specifically assigned and trained Teaching Assistant plans and provides targeted social & emotional and academic support for identified pupils	*Pupils needs are identified and appropriate intervention is planned to target areas that are deemed impactful on learning. *The link between pupils' emotional wellbeing and their ability to access learning opportunities is crucially recognised and prioritised. Recognition of pupils' ability to be 'ready to learn' depending first and foremost on their emotional state is given precedence in order to provide the capacity for their academic learning to take place.	1,2,3
Recovery Premium	*Through rigorous and ongoing assessment, pupils are identified and their needs specifically targeted through personalised plans for support. EEF Toolkit (Small Group Tuition): Evidence shows that small group tuition is effective and, as a rule of thumb, the smaller the group the better. This arrangement enables the teacher to focus exclusively on a small number of learners. It can be used as a more general strategy to ensure effective progress.	1,3

Wider strategies

Budgeted cost: £840

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s)
Monitoring of disadvantaged and service pupils	*Key staff are released in order to carry out purposeful monitoring activities, for example learning walks and pupil interviews, allowing close analysis of the impact of interventions and targeted support, and gaining first-hand the views of disadvantaged and service pupils. This evidence is then used to inform future provision.	1,2,3
Prioritisation of pupils' mental health and wellbeing: *The use of a trauma counsellor to support children's emotional and mental wellbeing.	*Pupils who are able to access pastoral support regarding their emotional health and wellbeing, will be happier and more confident in themselves, and therefore more able to fully access and engage with their learning. *As stated above in 'targeted academic support' the foundation of pupils being 'ready to learn' is crucial is pupils being successful in their learning. EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit (Social and Emotional Learning - SEL): SEL interventions have an identifiable and valuable impact on attitudes to learning and social relationships in school. Improvements appear more likely when SEL approaches are embedded into routine educational practices and supported by professional development and training for staff.	2, 4

Help with costs of enrichment activities, residential trips and extracurricular activities.	*Pupils who are able to access all curriculum experiences will have a deeper knowledge of the given curriculum areas. Taking part in extra-curricular activities will develop self-esteem.	4
	EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit (Outdoor Adventure Learning) Studies of adventure learning interventions consistently show positive benefits on academic learning. There is also evidence of an impact on non-cognitive outcomes such as selfconfidence. Evidence suggests that the impact is greater for more vulnerable students.	

Total budgeted cost: £ 24,071

Part B: Pupil premium strategy outcomes 2022 -2023

This details the impact that our pupil premium activity had on pupils in the 2022 to 2023 academic year.

Pupil Premium Funding Information 2022 - 2023			
Academic Year	Number of eligible pupils	Total Pupil Premium allocated	
2022 - 2023	•7 children are in receipt of Free School Meals (FSM)	£21,000	
	• 4 children were Previously Looked After Children (PLAC)		
	• 2 children have English as an Additional Language (EAL)		

Aims for Pupil Premium Spending 2022-2023:

- 1. Ensuring the children have a strong foundation in reading
- 2. Supporting the social and emotional wellbeing of all pupils, paying particular attention to disadvantaged and service children
- 3. Lower attainers are not meeting the expected standard in core subjects, particularly reading and writing
- 4. Some pupils are unable to access enrichment curricular activities due to cost implications

Review of Last Year's Pupil Premium Spending

- 1. Progress and attainment:
- EYFS good level of development outcomes 8.9% higher than National average (2022).
- Year 1 phonics screen test outcomes were in line with National average.
- By the end of KS1, 94% of children achieved the expected standard for phonics. The National average was 89%. - By the end of KS1, St Andrew's children attained above National averages for the expected standards in writing (+10%) and were in line with National averages for Reading and Maths.
- 2. Compared to National figures, the attendance of children for the school year 2022-2023 was higher by 3.5%. School persistent absence figures were 13.7% lower than national figures. Members of staff supported children's mental health and emotional well-being. Enrichment days and ready to learn activities encouraged children to attend school.

Average attendance of disadvantaged children was 95.9%.

- 3. The vast majority of pupils are engaged in their learning. They feel safe, challenged and supported in their learning.
- 4. All pupil premium children accessed enrichment curricular activities, including residential visits.
- 5. KS2 outcomes for children were significantly above national averages. See table.

Subject	Maths	Reading	Writing
School	96%	92%	92%
National	73%	73%	72%

St Andrew's Year 6 Combined Reading/Writing/Maths 22/26 = 84.6% (National 2023 - 59%)