Pupil premium strategy statement 2024-2027

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2023 to 2024 academic year) funding to help improve the attainment of our disadvantaged pupils.

It outlines our pupil premium strategy, how we intend to spend the funding in this academic year and the effect that last year's spending of pupil premium had within our school.

School overview

| Detail | Data |
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| School name | Fiddlers Lane Primary School |
| Number of pupils in school | 171 |
| Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils | 50% |
| Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended) | 2024/2025 2025/2026 2026/2027 |
| Date this statement was published | December 2024 |
| Date on which it will be reviewed | July 2025 |
| Statement authorised by | Governors Spring 2025 |
| Pupil premium lead | Mrs K Forster- Headteacher |
| Governor / Trustee lead | Sharon Woods- Chair of Governors |

Funding overview

| Detail | Amount |
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| Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year | £105,820.00 |
| Total budget for this academic year | £105,820.00 |
| If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year | |

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

At Fiddlers Lane, we aim to ensure that all pupils, irrespective of their background or the challenges they face, make good progress and feel successful in their journey through school. We strive to enable the children to feel safe with a focus on their well-being. Our pupil premium strategy supports children in receipt of Pupil Premium to achieve and have a full role in school life.

Quality first teaching is at the heart of our approach, focusing on areas in which children in receipt of Pupil Premium require the most support. We, as a school wish to develop learners who have dreams and aspirations and understand their own role in determining their future destiny. As a school we are charged with preparing children for their next step in life but what we aim to do as a school is prepare children with the skill set to succeed in the future and create the future whatever that may look like –resilience, adaptability, creative thinking, no ceiling on their learning or what they can achieve.

Our approach will be responsive to common challenges and individual needs based upon assessments and professional dialogue with teachers, not assumptions about the impact of disadvantage. The approaches we have adopted complement each other to help pupils excel. To ensure they are effective we will:

- ensure disadvantaged pupils are challenged in the work that they're set
- · act early to intervene at the point need is identified
- close the attainment and progress gap between disadvantaged pupils in school and non-disadvantaged pupils nationally.
- improve the attendance of disadvantaged pupils.

At Fiddlers Lane we have taken an evidence informed approach to our PP strategy plan. Using the EEF 'Guide to the Pupil Premium' we have planned a tiered approach to our PP spending to balance our approach to improving teaching, targeted academic support and wider strategies. We identify key factors and trends in need and identify the strategies we need to put in place. Using the schools Analyse School Performance (ASP) and other sources of data we look for trends in progress and attainment across the group. We

evaluate our current provision on an annual basis and use the findings to decide our priorities and how we are going to meet them by putting in place clear success criteria.

Challenges

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

| Challenge number | Detail of challenge |
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| 1 | A significant proportion of children enter EYFS with very low language skills, which impacts on speaking and listening, communication and language and reading skills which impacts on all areas of learning. |
| 2 | The percentage of pupils expected to achieve reading, writing and maths combined in both key stage one and key stage two is lower than those expected nationally. |
| 3 | Persistent Absence is higher in DA pupils than that of Non-DA pupils in school. |
| 4 | Many DA pupils have few opportunities to benefit from cultural and social events and experiences. Parents/carers are unable to fund curricular enrichment opportunities, including trips. Financial constraints result in inability to purchase educational resources, including study support materials and IT facilities |
| 5 | Lack of personal aspirations and/or an understanding of career possibilities and future academic opportunities. Low self-esteem and confidence. |
| 6 | A significant proportion of pupils struggle to manage their emotions, focus on tasks, and adapt to changing situations. They also have difficulty in building positive relationships and understanding social norms due to SEND and social-emotional barriers, which impacts behaviour and learning outcomes. |

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 |
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| Continue to raise attainment in reading in EYFS and KS1 by developing children's understanding and effective use of phonics and other early reading strategies. Raise attainment in reading across KS2 by developing pupils' fluency and understanding of language and inference skills. | The % of pupils eligible for PP achieving the expected standard in reading is at least in line with the % for non PP Nationally. The % of pupils eligible for PP passing the phonics screening test in year 1(and the re-take in Y2) is at least in line with the % for non PP Nationally. |
| Improve oral language skills of DA pupils starting in EYFS (Reception). | DA pupils in Reception make better than expected progress in Communication and Language and reading by the end of the year. |
| Raise attainment and progress in writing by ensuring that children have a sound knowledge of spelling, punctuation, vocabulary and grammar upon which they can become independent and expert writers. | The attainment of DA pupils is at least in line with the % for non DA pupils. Where this is not the case, DA pupils make better than expected progress and the gap between them and their peers is closing. |
| Raise attainment and progress in maths by ensuring that children have a sound knowledge of number upon which to build their mathematical knowledge. | The attainment of DA pupils is at least in line with the % for non DA pupils. Where this is not the case, DA pupils make better than expected progress and the gap between them and their peers is closing. |
| To enable all DA pupils to make better than expected progress in learning through a range of targeted strategies designed to support and increase pace of learning. | DA pupils make better than expected progress. |
| Increased attendance rates for DA pupils | Persistent absentees among DA pupils decreases and Overall DA pupils' attendance improves. |
| The attendance of DA pupils at extra-curricular activities is strong. | All DA pupils access at least one extra-curricular club per term. |

| Disadvantaged pupils are aware of potential career and further education routes. | Disadvantaged children know how to pursue a chosen career path or route, possibly through further education. |
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| Pupils will develop a better understanding of their emotions and learn to manage them constructively using tools and strategies gained to regulate their behaviour and maintain focus. Pupils will develop stronger interpersonal skills and build positive relationships. | There will be a reduction in the number of behaviour incidents and improved attendance rates and punctuality. This will result in improved outcomes and higher engagement scores in classroom participation. |

Activity in this academic year

This details how we intend to spend our pupil premium this academic year to address the challenges listed above.

Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £25,000

| Activity | Evidence that supports this approach | Challenge number(s) addressed |
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| Staff development in the teaching of phonics, reading, spelling, handwriting and writing. | Improving Literacy in Key stage 1 and 2.EEF | 1,2, |
| Staff development linked to the development of oral language and implementing interventions in EYFS and KS1. | Developing Oral Language. EEF. Voice 21 | 1, 2, |
| Staff development in the assessment of reading through Ready, Steady, Comprehension | Improving Literacy in Key stage 1 and 2.EEF | 1,2, |

| Non-class based English lead, maths lead and SENDCo to support the development of staff in the teaching of reading, writing, maths and the provision for pupils with SEND. | Improving English in EYFS, Key stage 1 and 2.EEF Improving maths in EYFS, KS1, KS2. EEF | 1, 2, 6 |
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| Participation in the Maths TT Rock stars online across school. | Improving maths in the Early Years and KS1, EEF. | 1,2, |
| | Improving maths in KS2, EEF. | |
| Participation in the Literacy Spelling Shed across school. | Improving Literacy in Key Stage 1 and 2, EEF. | 1, 2 |
| Staff development in Oracy and using the Oracy toolkit | Improving Oracy: Voice 21 | 1, 2 |
| Staff development in adaptive teaching with a focus on SEMH | Five a day in Key Stage 1 and 2, EEF | 2, 6, |

Targeted academic support (for example, tutoring, one-to-one support structured interventions)

Budgeted cost: £36,000

| Activity | Evidence that supports this approach | Challenge number(s) addressed |
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| Small group school led tuition in writing and reading. | Improving Literacy in Key stage 2 EEF. | 2, 3 |
| Delivery of Wellcomm for Reception pupils identified through the assessment as below average. | Developing Oral Language. EEF. Preparing for Literacy EEF. | 1 |

| | Research into the '30 Million Word Gap' Vocabulary acquisition vital to raising attainment in reading / comprehension. | |
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| The purchase of RWI and online support to improve children's progress in phonics and reading. | Resource to deliver core subjects at pupils' own ability level, accessible for use in school and at home for EYFS and KS1 | 1,2, 3 |

Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing)

Budgeted cost: £45,000

| Activity | Evidence that supports this approach | Challenge number(s) addressed |
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| Subsidising for school visits and visitors – whole school | Enrichment EEF. | 4,5 |
| | It is widely accepted that a person's level of cultural capital is a huge indicator of how well they are able to succeed academically and engage in wider society. Therefore providing this opportunity for PP children increases their experiences and therefore academic performance | |
| Literacy and maths based workshops for parents on phonics, reading with your child and teaching number. | Working with parents to support children's learning EEF. Research from the Education Endowment Foundation supports this approach: The EEF Guide to Pupil Premium (2019) and the tiered approach of: | 1, 2, |
| | Teaching | |
| | Targeted Academic Support | |
| | Wider Strategies | |

| Curriculum Resources – to enable high quality learning both around school and remotely | Working with parents to support children's learning EEF. | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 |
|---|---|------------------|
| Extra-curricular clubs Support DA children's learning through enhancing the quality of the wider curriculum and through the use of specialist staff in extracurricular clubs Support the SEMH needs of DA pupils at lunchtimes and afterschool through specialist, targeted clubs. | Enrichment. EEF. Improving social and emotional learning in primary schools. EEF. It is widely accepted that a person's level of cultural capital is a huge indicator of how well they are able to succeed academically and engage in wider society. Therefore providing this opportunity for PP children increases their experiences and therefore academic performance | 4,5, 6 |
| Attendance officer role developed to identify and track vulnerable pupils and EWO support bought in. Support families to access early help and intervention in-house. In order to increase attendance to the national figure, improve punctuality and persistent absence of children. | Working with parents to improve children's attendance and subsequently learning EEF. DFE research project (2016) showed that pupils with no absence are 1.3 times more likely to achieve EXS or above, and 3.1 times more likely to achieve GD or above, than pupils that missed 10- 15 per cent of all sessions. | 3 |
| MAPAS Music and Performing Arts Service weekly tuition for year 4 pupils to raise aspirations and inspire children. | Positive impact of arts engagement Arts engagement +3months | 3, 5, 6, |

| Support parents enabling them to support their children's learning. In effect this will raise aspiration in children and their parents. | Parents who are engaged effectively in society are known to be more effective at raising aspiration and expectations with their own children, in turn enhancing progress and attainment | 5 |
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| Place 2 Be counsellor delivering interventions Lunchtime support to be provided for vulnerable pupils e.g. lunch club Teaching assistants deliver other small group interventions such as friendship groups Senior leaders time supporting classes with behaviour challenges | Behaviour interventions- EEF | 3, 5, 6, |

Total budgeted cost: £ 106,000

Part B: Review of outcomes in the previous academic year

Pupil premium strategy outcomes

This details the impact that our pupil premium activity had on pupils in the 2024 to 2025 academic year.

6. Planned Provision and rationale for action 2024- 2025
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