

Langham Primary School September 2019

Pupil Premium Strategy

What is it?

Pupil Premium is a grant awarded by the Department for Education aimed at improving outcomes for children who may be disadvantaged. All schools receive this grant depending on the number of children whose parents serve in the armed services, how many are entitled to Free School Meals (or have been during the preceding 6 years) and how many are in care. All schools are required to publish information on the amount of Pupil Premium grant received; how the money has been spent and what the outcomes are for the group of children it is aimed at.

What is our approach?

With relatively small numbers of children eligible for the pupil premium grant, our aim is to provide specific, carefully targeted support to meet the needs of each child. We identify what additional support we need to provide by careful analysis of where children are in danger of falling behind or have ground to make up. Our spending of the pupil premium grant falls into one of the following broad categories:

- Providing additional general support in the classroom;
- Providing additional targeted support individually or in small groups outside the classroom;
- Providing training for staff;
- Providing access to opportunities and specialist agencies outside the school.

Barriers faced by children vary in each individual child but can be broadly categorised as: specific gaps in learning and educational achievement; underdeveloped attitudes to learning; lack of confidence and maturity in social situations.

How much did we receive last year? The total figure allocated to Langham Primary School last year (2018-19) was £4,560

How was the money used? The money was used in the following ways:

- Additional support for children in the classroom
- Release time to enable individual children to have learning conferences with their teacher
- Individual tuition

What are the outcomes for children?

The outcomes for children receiving the pupil premium are reported in detail to the governing body. Due to the small number of pupils involved we do not release this data on to our public website as this would compromise confidentiality. We make sure we evaluate the success of additional support by careful assessment of a child's capabilities before and after a period of support. We do this at regular intervals and keep full and accurate data on all eligible children so that any adjustments to provision can be made in a timely way.

Our analysis indicates that where the attainment of pupil premium children is behind that of their peers, the interventions we put in place for them last year were successful in helping them to catch up. Mike Sherring is the governor with specific responsibility for monitoring the effectiveness of the schools use of pupil premium funding in order to ensure that pupil premium spending is effective and has impact.

How much will we get this year? Allocation for pupil premium for 2019-20 is going to be £5,160.

How are we planning to spend the money? We are planning to use this money in the following ways:

- Additional support for children in the classroom to close gaps in learning and support development of confidence in school and other social settings;
- Subsidies to help families meet the cost of visits and other enrichment activities.

Reviewing our strategy

We review our strategy and approach in July. This is so we can evaluate how successful we have been at the end of the academic year and make plans which can be implemented from the beginning of the new school year.