

Pupil Premium Strategy 2023-2024

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Our estimated pupil premium allocation for the current academic year

Pupil Premium Allocation: 2023-2024 funding statement ¹			
Total number of Secondary Pupils on-roll	39		
Total number of Secondary Pupils eligible for Pupil Premium	17		
Total number of Year 11 Pupils eligible for Pupil Premium	9		
Total number of Year 10 Pupils eligible for Pupil Premium	8		
Percentage of Secondary Pupils eligible for Pupil Premium	44%		
Estimated amount of pupil premium funding	£13,455		
Carried forward from previous year 2022-2023	£4116		

Aim

Our aim is to use the Pupil Premium funding to close any attainment gap between Pupil Premium students and non-Pupil Premium students, through the identification of hurdles to achievement, and implementing strategies to help reduce and remove these hurdles. A number of these strategies will be funded as part of a whole school approach to raise the achievement of all students, which also impacts on Pupil Premium students, and some strategies will be specifically focused on students attracting Pupil Premium funding.

In-line with the whole school vision of practical learning and excellent destinations, we will resource Pupil Premium students to ensure that they engage in all school activities, to enable them to make good progress, and achieve excellent destinations.

Key barriers identified to limiting the attainment and progress of pupil premium students:

- 1. Literacy skills: Reading ability
- 2. Literacy skills: Progress in English Language and Literature
- 3. Inclusion: Being able to full participate in all aspects of school life
- 4. Self-esteem and confidence

¹ Pupil Premium allocation is from April 2023-March 2024. It is possible that the final number of Pupil Premium students in the academic year 2023-2024 may be higher than the original funding allocation statement.

Barrier	Objective	Activity Rationale for activity	Measuring impact	Cost	Actual expenditure
Reading ability	To improve the reading age of PP students to enable them to have greater access to all curriculum subjects. To improve the reading age of PP students to enable greater progress across all subjects thereby increasing their attainment and progress outcomes. To improve the reading age of PP students to increase the confidence and self-esteem of students, which should enhance their levels of motivation and engagement in all areas of school life. To improve the reading age of PP students to improve their life chances and an enjoyment of reading as part of life-long learning.	 Employment of part-time Teaching Assistant (12 hours per week) A significant proportion of students enter the school in Year 10 and Year 12 with a reading age below their chronological age. Overtime this will impact on their academic progress, self-esteem and confidence, and engagement in lessons. Aim is to provide one-to-one reading for students with a low reading age at least once a week as part of the Accelerated Reader programme. A significant proportion of these students in KS4 will be PP students. Accelerated Reader Programme Purchase of books for the Accelerated Reading room that specifically motivates and engages PP students. 	Each term the average reading of PP students to improve. Within one academic year the average reading age of PP students will improve by at least 15 months. Attendance at or above national average as a consequence of increased confidence and self-esteem. Students will make increasing progress over time across the majority of their subjects as access to the curriculum is increased through improved reading skills.	 £450 Purchase of books £4,000 Cost of parttime TA (i.e. 50% of £10.000) Note, TA to provide one-to-one reading support for students must in need. This is not always PP students, hence 50% of costs. Accelerated Reader programme paid for in previous years 	
Affording school trips	To ensure that PP students are able to fully participate in all aspects of school life, namely, school trips and visits.	Subsidising school trips School trips can be an unaffordable expense for PP students.	PP students attend all organised school trips and events and are thereby	£1530	

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	To ensure that PP students are afforded the same opportunities as non-PP students to enhance and consolidate knowledge and understanding gained by participating in a school trip. Safeguard PP students confidence and self-esteem by enabling them to fully participate in school activities, including trips and visits	School trips have been identified as ways to enhance the pastoral aspects of school life, e.g. Stubbers Induction trip at the start of Year 10 (and Year 12) Thorpe Park School trips have been identified as a way to enhance and consolidate subject specific knowledge and understanding and thereby enhancing student progress. E.g. Ford Dunton All opportunities are taken to keep learning outside of the classroom to a minimum cost. School mini buses are used where possible instead of coaches	included in all aspects of school life.Attendance to school is at or above national average.PP student academic progress is enhanced as they engage with their subjects and school life.	Based on 17 students, 3 trips at £30 per trip. Assumes that there will be a greater number of PP students in September 2023 than funding allocation sheet indicates	
Self-belief	Safeguard PP students confidence and self-esteem, as well as developing and enhancing self-belief through one-to-one weekly mentoring by specialist external organisation, (namely, West Ham FC Mentors)	Mentoring Mentoring is provided by qualified (West Ham Football club) Mentors, to provide students with the opportunity: - to discuss issues and concerns impacting on their confidence and self-esteem, and identify strategies to address these -to discuss issues and concerns impacting on their academic progress, and to identify strategies to address these	Attendance at or above National Average Good progress as measured by GCSE outcomes against GL assessment MEPG's Time spent in Behavioural Reflection room is no more than non-PP peers	This cost is currently covered by whole school funding, Pastoral Behaviour budget	

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		 -to discuss issues and concerns that may limit their participation in all aspects of school life, and to identify strategies to address these. Students are more likely to engage in the Mentoring provided by West Ham football club because of the positive image that football has amongst young people. 			
Appropriate Uniform	To ensure that the absence of or ill-fitting uniform and H&S kit does not prevent PP students from engaging positively in all aspects of school life. To ensure that students have the full and correct school uniform enabling them to participate fully in school life, enabling students to feel part of the school community, increase their self-esteem and confidence, whilst minimising distractions from academic progress.	Purchase of school uniform and kit Some PP students have ill-fitting uniform. To cover this, they wear the uniform incorrectly and are continually reminded by staff to adjust their uniform accordingly. This leads to unnecessary negative interactions with staff, which over-time, could potentially impact on student behaviour, and in-turn, academic progress. Throughout the course of the year, some PP students are unable to afford the full school uniform. School shoes in particular seem to be an expense that a number of PP students seem unable to afford. On occasions the absence of	PP Students are no more likely to spend time in the Behaviour Refection room than non-PP students. Attendance at or above national average. Participation is all aspects of school life.	£500 Based on not exceeding £100 per student Based on not all students requiring funding support with uniform	

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		appropriate school uniform can lead to absence from school. This must be avoided.Of equal importance is adherence to whole school rules and expectations.			
Literacy Skills	To identify and address literacy skills that are a barrier/hurdle to the progress to PP students in English Language and Literature lessons.	 TA Support in KS4 English Lesson For at least one lesson per week the TA to be present in KS4 English lessons to identify hurdles and barriers to PP student progress during a lesson. To support the progress of PP students during English lessons at least once a week, where they are expected to read and complete extended writing tasks (literacy). 	Additional hurdles to achievement are identified.	£3350 TA to work an additional 4 hours per week on a Wednesday. To take place form the spring term 2024.	
Availability of senior staff for the benefit of students during morning break and lunch time	Increasing staffing in the school canteen during morning break and lunchtime. Ensuring that a member of senior staff is available to talk to students during morning break and lunchtime in the canteen and other communal areas	Employment of Midday Assistant Employment of a midday supervisor to enable senior staff to be released from this formal duty and make themselves more informally available to students during morning break and lunch time thereby improving the pastoral support and safeguarding for all students, across the school.		£3410	

Pupil Premium Strategy: Planned Pupil Premium expenditure 2023 - 2024

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		This benefits PP students directly and indirectly.			
Unidentified				£4331	
		Total: £17,571			