# Pupil premium strategy statement – Fritchley CofE (Aided) Primary and Nursery School

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium) 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 outcomes for disadvantaged pupils last academic year.

## **School overview**

Detail	Data
Number of pupils in school	Fritchley CofE Primary and Nursery School
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	82 + 15 nursery
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	26.8%
Date this statement was published	15.02.24
Date on which it will be reviewed	15.02.27
Statement authorised by	Rosie Turner
Pupil premium lead	Rosie Turner
Governor / Trustee lead	Gwen Row

# **Funding overview**

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£30,510
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£725
Pupil premium (and recovery premium*) funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
*Recovery premium received in academic year 2021 to 2022 can be carried forward to academic year 2022 to 2023. Recovery premium received in academic year 2022 to 2023 cannot be carried forward to 2023 to 2024.	
Total budget for this academic year	£31,235
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

Our aim is to ensure that our pupils are not disadvantaged as a result of their socio-economic context. We believe that with the correct support all pupils can achieve their full potential, as long as the provision meets their needs.

Our ultimate objectives are to:

- Remove barriers to learning created by poverty, family circumstance and background
- Narrow the attainment gaps between disadvantaged pupils and their non-disadvantaged counterparts both within school and nationally
- Ensure ALL pupils are able to read fluently and with good understanding to enable them to access the full breadth of the curriculum.
- Develop confidence in their ability to communicate effectively in a wide range of contexts
- Enable pupils to look after their social and emotional wellbeing and to develop resilience.
- Access a wide range of opportunities to develop their knowledge and understanding of the world.

#### Our Context:

We are a small church school with less than 100 pupils on roll. Our PP percentage is now 26.8%.

#### Achieving our objectives:

In order to achieve our objectives and overcome identified barriers to learning we will:

- Provide all teachers with high quality CPD to ensure that pupils access effective quality first teaching.
- Provide targeted intervention and support to quickly address identified gaps in learning including the use of small group work, 1:1 support
- Target funding to ensure that all pupils have access to trips, residentials and first hand learning experiences
- Provide opportunities for all pupils to participate in enrichment activities including sport and music.
- Provide appropriate nurture support to support pupils in their emotional and social development. This is not an exhaustive list and strategies will change and develop based on the needs of individuals.

#### **Key Principals:**

We will ensure that effective teaching, learning and assessment meets the needs of all pupils through the rigorous analysis of data. Class teachers will identify specific intervention and support for individual pupils which will be reviewed at least half-termly. Alongside academic

support, we will ensure that those pupils who have social, emotional and mental health needs receive pastoral support and access to high quality provision from appropriately trained adults.

# **Challenges**

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Assessments, observations and discussions with staff has highlighted oral language skills to be an area of concern for many of our children with pupil premium.  Vocabulary; communication and language skills are low for pupils when they enter school, which slows progress of reading, writing (phonics and spelling) and mathematical reasoning as they move through school.
2	Assessments, observations and discussions with staff, parents and pupils all raised the issues of social and emotional resilience, including those of high ability. This impacts greatly on their ability to manage anxiety or regulate their emotions; and their listening skills, so slowing their progress.
3	Historically our children in receipt of Pupil Premium have had a higher number of school absences than our non-Pupil premium children. There have been a higher number of persistent absentees that are in receipt of pupil premium than those that are not, this then inevitably impacts on their attainment data.
4	Every day, in school we utilise all staff as best and effective as we can. We are stretched with TA support in class. A challenge for us is staff to lead interventions, interventions that we would like to carry out and know will support the progress of our children. A prioritising system will need to be in place. With a growing number of pupils in receipt of pupil premium this will need to be effectively lead and managed.

## **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
Increase language acquisition of our children in EYFS and Key Stage 1 with decreased levels of language.	There is a significant increase in oral language skills for pupils in receipt of PP. This is evident for children in EYFS, Key Stage 1 and for our children receiving PP.
Pupils' vocabulary is broader; they show greater comprehension when reading and use a wider range when writing.	There is an increase, of PP achieving a GLD. An increase of children meeting ARE.
% achieving the Y1 phonics screen is in line with national; and pupils apply spelling strategies independently.	Gaps significantly narrow between them and others nationally at the end of KS1.

Phonic strategies taught in a systematic and The gap has narrowed between writing synthetic manner (Little Wandle). attainment and reading in Key Stage 1 (significantly higher). Phonics screening achievement of PP, will increase. All pupils working below ARE, make accelerated progress with RWM, so that the gap between them and their peers narrows. Children have many opportunities within school to read, both for progress and pleasure. Library areas are well used. T4W used in all classes and Pupils are reading age appropriate books with vocabulary teaching is key to this strategy. understanding and are able to communicate this both verbally and in writing. VIPERS used in whole class guided reading from Y2 up with one day a week focused on vocabulary. Vocabulary in subject areas displayed on WW and reminders to use these are present in lessons. Improve the levels of resilience and increase self-Student voice, parent surveys and staff esteem of children receiving PP. feedback indicate that pupils are showing higher levels of emotional and educational resilience. This is having a positive impact on self-esteem Pupils concentrate and are engaged throughout for pupils in receipt of PP. lessons (behaviour is good in lessons; books are good). Pupils take pride in themselves as learners, shown by the quality of their books and their Pupils require less external motivation but show engagement and attitude to learning in lessons. determination and drive themselves. (Engagement in lessons; response to feedback in books; engagement in wider school activities). Children's awareness, of the variety of opportunities they have now and in the future, is raised and they develop an attitude of selfchallenge to achieve these. Decrease the number of persistent absentees of Attendance is improved for children receiving children receiving PP. PP in particular persistent absentees. The percentage of persistent absentees that are in receipt of PP is in line with non-PP. Parents feel they can use school to support them and their children (attainment is in-line with others nationally). Target families and pupils are identified and supported. Pupils' punctuality improves. Pupils will engage in opportunities in school. Children will arrive on time ready for their school day. Families invited to sessions in school to raise aspirations and involvement with learning.

# 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 (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £3000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
New and updated Phonics programme that is DfE validated (Little Wandle).	Phonics has a positive impact overall (+5 months) with very extensive evidence and is an important component in the development of early reading skills, particularly for children from disadvantaged backgrounds. <a href="https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/phonics">https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/phonics</a>	1
Engagement with 'Making the difference for disadvantaged children' training - 2023	Staff knowledge is increased as well as an awareness of different strategies/approaches and the impact these can have.	1,2,3,4
TA to target pupils in need of catch-up, using school's pupil progress sheets to identify areas and support needed.	EEF toolkit shows that feedback has high impact (+8) & individualised instruction has (+3).	1,2,4

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

Budgeted cost: £ 16,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Small group or 1:2:1 sessions in target subject areas personalised to needs with experienced TA for short, regular	EEF toolkit shows that feedback has high impact (+8) & individualised instruction has (+3).	1,2,4

sessions in the	
afternoons.	

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

Budgeted cost: £ 11,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Ensure pupils that require positive play/ Lego therapy and other therapies receive these.	An evaluation by Sheffield Hallam University found evidence for both the need for the Positive Play Support Programme and its effectiveness. It found that the majority of children and young people referred to the programme had the ability to learn, but their emotional and behavioural difficulties had a self-limiting effect on their progress in school, hindering the chances of them achieving their potential in life.	2
Ensure that all children are able to access the wider curriculum and extra-curricular activities.	EEF toolkit shows social and emotional learning (+4) has high impact on engagement. Enable access for PP pupils to create shared experience, build self-esteem & positive attitudes to life.	1,2
Extracurricular activities including sporting activities	There is some evidence that involvement in extracurricular sporting activities may increase pupil attendance and retention. Children are unable to achieve if they are not in school and if their self-esteem is low. Sporting activities increases both of these especially for disadvantaged children who may not experience extracurricular activities should school not offer these. <a href="https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/physical-activity">https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/physical-activity</a>	
Provide breakfast for PP children every morning.	There is evidence linked to children's wellbeing, physical and mental health if they miss breakfast. We have a growing number of children that we now give a snack to when they let us know they've had no breakfast. We hope this will combat some of our readiness to learn, children's health and wellbeing and also school absences due to providing the free breakfast. <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-school-breakfast-club-programme">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-school-breakfast-club-programme</a>	1,2,3

**Total budgeted cost: £** [insert sum of 3 amounts stated above]

### Part B: Review of the previous academic year

#### **Outcomes for disadvantaged pupils**

Small class sizes and interventions - The progress of these children is carefully tracked and reported, anonymously, to the Governing Body. Due to the small numbers of pupils receiving Pupil Premium this data is not available on our website to ensure that the progress of individual pupils cannot be identified. Other indicators include: improved confidence, positive impact seen in progress even if ARE not yet achieved and transference of skills/understanding demonstrated in class.

Positive Play and P4YP - Children involved in the Positive Play programme and P4YP enjoyed participating. Profiles demonstrate increased levels of self-esteem and confidence. Teachers noticed the difference in ability to manage different situations during lesson time. Unfortunately, trip and residentials were cancelled due to COVID and extreme heat.

## **Externally provided programmes**

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you used your pupil premium (or recovery premium) to fund in the previous academic year.

Programme	Provider