

Pupil Premium Policy

January 2020

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School Aims

Little Heaton CE Primary School is a place for everyone to succeed and thrive. The targeted and strategic use of Pupil Premium Funding (PPF) will support us in achieving our vision.

We aim to ensure that every child leaves Little Heaton CE Primary School excited about learning, resilient to setback and determined to succeed. We want to equip them with confidence, resilience and a passion for justice and equality. These qualities will enable them to thrive and to champion kindness and fairness at all stages of their future lives.

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Principles

At Little Heaton CE Primary School we ensure that teaching and learning opportunities meet the needs of all pupils. We ensure that appropriate provision is made for pupils who belong to vulnerable 'disadvantaged' groups. This specifically includes ensuring that the needs of socially disadvantaged pupils are addressed.

In making provision for socially disadvantaged pupils, we recognise that not all pupils who are eligible for free school meals, (or have been eligible in the last 6 years) are socially disadvantaged and further, some children who experience disadvantaged backgrounds are not eligible for free school meals and thereby do not attract Pupil Premium Funding. We will ensure all pupils who have additional needs receive the highest quality of personalised provision which helps them to thrive regardless of their status as disadvantaged or non-disadvantaged.

We also recognise that not all pupils who are socially disadvantaged are registered or qualify for free school meals. We therefore allocate Pupil Premium Funding to support any pupil groups that the school has legitimately identified as being socially disadvantaged.

Pupil Premium Funding will be allocated following annual needs analysis which will identify priority pupils and groups. We regularly review the main barriers to learning for our children who are eligible for free school meals; examples of these barriers are:

- Missed learning opportunities
- Emotional and developmental delays
- Cognitive delays
- Pupils who have suffered early trauma

Provision

The range of provision the Governors and Senior Leaders may consider making for this group could include:

- Reducing class sizes where appropriate, thus improving opportunities for effective assessment for learning and accelerating progress.
- Providing small group work with an experienced teacher focused on overcoming gaps in learning.
- ❖ 1:1 support.
- Offer additional parent workshops and home learning opportunities to support parents to help their children's learning outside school.
- Delivering intervention programmes to target newly arrived children and/or those who do not speak English as their first or main language.
- Targeting more able children and those on the 'Gifted and Talented' register to ensure they reach their full potential.
- Additional teaching and learning opportunities provided by teachers, TAs or external agencies.
- Additional support for assessments, training and advice from specialists such as speech therapists, educational psychologists, etc.
- Access to therapeutic interventions and advice.
- Paying or part subsidising activities that broaden the knowledge of the paying curriculum or participation in school activities.
- Ensure good attendance, punctuality and readiness for learning of disadvantaged pupils through the breakfast club provision.

All our work through Pupil Premium will be aimed at accelerating progress, moving children to at least age related expectations or beyond, depending on their starting points. The school recognises that disadvantage does not mean and is not an excuse for low attainment or progress. Pupil Premium resources will be used to support all qualifying pupils including higher attaining children with previously high levels of achievement.

Reporting

The Headteacher will produce annual reports for the Governors' Standards and Scrutiny Committee on:

- The progress made towards narrowing the gap, by year group, for socially disadvantaged pupils
- ❖ An outline of the provision
- An evaluation of the cost effectiveness, in terms of the progress made by the pupils receiving a particular provision, when compared with other forms of support

The Governing Body of the school will ensure that there is an annual statement to parents and carers on how the Pupil Premium Funding has been used to address the issue of 'narrowing the gap' for socially disadvantaged pupils. This statement will be published on the school's website. This task will be carried out within the requirements published by the Department for education.

Appeal

Any appeals against this policy will be through the school's complaints procedure. This policy should be read in conjunction with Little Heaton CE Primary School's Equal Opportunities Policy, Teaching and Learning, DSEN, More Able and EAL Policies.

Review

This policy shall be reviewed annually and ratified by the full Governing Body or a committee, as directed by the Chair of Governors. The full Governing Body shall then ratify the policy upon the recommendation(s) of the committee.