

Pupil premium strategy statement

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2024 to 2025 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
School name	Bubwith CP School
Number of pupils in school	117
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	8%-9% (fluctuating numbers during the year)
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2024-25 (We update annually but this is built on the PP plan devised in 2021)
Date this statement was drafted	4.11.2024
Date on which it will be reviewed	Autumn Term 2025
Statement authorised by	Amy Bailiss
Pupil premium lead	Amy Bailiss
Governor / Trustee lead	Alison Hughes

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£ 16,570
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£ 0
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£ 0
Total budget for this academic year If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	£ 16,570

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

Objectives for our disadvantaged pupils

Our intention is that all pupils make good progress and achieve high attainment across all subject areas irrespective of their background. High-quality teaching is at the heart of our approach with a focus upon the areas where disadvantaged pupils require the most support.

Achieving those objectives

Our approach will be responsive to common challenges and individual needs rooted in robust assessment. Our strategy is integral to wider school plans for education recovery.

Key principles of the strategy plan

- Ensure that PP pupils are challenged in the work that they are set
- Ensure timely intervention for PP not meeting age-related progress/ making good progress from their starting points
- Ensure the attendance of PP pupils is above 95% for the vast majority of PP pupils
- Focus upon pupil wellbeing on pupil mental health

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 pupils suggest that disadvantaged pupils generally have greater difficulties with phonics than their peers. This negatively impacts their development as readers.
2	Assessments, observations and discussions with pupils suggest that disadvantaged pupils generally are further behind their peers with regards to meeting age-related expectations in the core areas of reading, writing and maths.
3	Our attendance data indicates that a high proportion of our PP students for academic year 2023-24 and continuing into 2024-25 have attendance issues and are being monitored as persistent absentees

	(attendance below 90%). Absenteeism is negatively impacting disadvantaged pupil progress.
4	Pupil premium pupils benefit from working in small groups with teaching assistant support within lessons and as part of targeted interventions.
5	Our assessments, observations and discussions with pupils and families have identified social and emotional issues for many pupils, notably due to anxiety. These challenges particularly affect disadvantaged pupils, including their attainment. Teacher referrals for SEMH remains high. It is our plan to address this through small group interventions such as friendship group work.

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
Improved phonics outcomes for disadvantaged pupils Improved development as readers for disadvantaged pupils	School has, with assistance from the Yorkshire Endeavour English Hub, purchased the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds validated phonics scheme. Following the scheme and through the use of timely targeted interventions, Pupils in Key Stage 1 will make good progress in phonics. Teaching assistant provision will be in place to support pupils falling behind their peers and age-related expectations for phonics using the Little Wandle Rapid catch-up materials. Using Little Wandle matched reading books, pupils will read 3 times per week demonstrating 90% fluency. All pupils making good progress from their starting points in phonics and reading. 80% PP pupils reaching age-related expectations in phonics/ reading by July 2025.
PP pupils close the attainment gap on their peers achieving age-related expectations in the core areas of writing and maths.	Teaching assistant provision in place to support pupils falling behind their peers in maths and writing including support groups to access age- appropriate Maths work within mixed-age class context

	All pupils making good progress from their starting points in maths and writing 80% PP pupils reaching age-related expectations in maths and writing by July 2025.
Improve the attendance percentage for all PP pupils in order that their progress is not inadvertently affected by absenteeism	All PP pupils achieve above 95% attendance figure by the end of the school year. Attendance for all pupils is above 96% for the school year.
PP pupils benefit from small group work catered to their learning needs	Intervention work is well-targeted to the needs of pupils and staff are available to lead intervention groups and improve progress in core skills for PP pupils.
To achieve and sustain improved wellbeing for all pupils in our school, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.	Sustained high levels of wellbeing from 2024/25 demonstrated by: • qualitative data from student voice, student and parent surveys and teacher observations • a significant reduction in anxiety • a significant increase in participation in enrichment activities, particularly among disadvantaged pupils

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: £ £300 Little Wandle continued subscription, £345 Little Wandle supporting reading materials, £3425 Maths No Problem Supporting Materials pupil workbooks, £1500 subject leader release time related to CUSP)

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Continued membership of Little Wandle of DFE Validated phonics Synthetic Phonics programme to secure stronger phonics teaching for pupils	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base that indicates a positive impact on the accuracy of word reading (though not necessarily comprehension) particularly for disadvantaged pupils. Phonics Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	1
Purchase of additional Reading Materials (digital and physical) in KS1 which match pupil ability from the validated phonics programme to ensure continuity and consistency of teaching of reading. We will use these to embed dialogic activities across the school.	There is a strong evidence base that suggests oral language interventions, including dialogic activities such as high-quality classroom discussion, are inexpensive to implement with high impacts on reading: Oral language interventions Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	2
Enhancement of our maths teaching and curriculum planning in line with DfE and EEF guidance including continued purchase of the Maths No Problem Scheme Materials and subscription to the	The DfE non-statutory guidance has been produced in conjunction with the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics, drawing on evidence-based approaches: Maths guidance KS 1 and 2.pdf (publishing.service.gov.uk) The EEF guidance is based on a range of the best available evidence: Improving Mathematics in Key Stages 2 and 3	2, 4

Maths No Problem Hub Enhancement of our writing teaching and curriculum planning in line with DfE and EEF guidance by adopting CUSP curriculum writing approaches We will fund subject leader release time to embed key elements of guidance in school and to access Maths Hub resources and English CPD.	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/guidance-reports/literacy-ks2	
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Targeted academic support (for example, tutoring, one-to-one support structured interventions)

Budgeted cost: £ (TA support 5 x afternoons per week) £7327.5

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
<i>Additional phonics sessions targeted at disadvantaged pupils who require further phonics support.</i>	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one: One to one tuition EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk) And in small groups: Small group tuition Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	1, 2, 4
<i>Additional Speech and Language support sessions for disadvantaged pupils needing specific speech and language programmes.</i>	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one: One to one tuition EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk) And in small groups: Small group tuition Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	2, 4

Fund additional teaching assistant time to deliver small group and 1:1 interventions with specific pupils in the key areas of Reading Writing and Mathematics	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one: One to one tuition EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk) And in small groups: Small group tuition Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	2, 4
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Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing)

Budgeted cost: £ 3000 Attendance officer work, £672.50 contingency fund)

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Embedding principles of good practice set out in the DfE's Improving School Attendance advice. This will involve training and release time for staff to develop and implement new procedures and appointing attendance/support officers to improve attendance.	The DfE guidance has been informed by engagement with schools that have significantly reduced levels of absence and persistent absence.	3
Contingency fund for acute issues.	Based on our experiences and those of similar schools to ours, we have identified a need to set a small amount of funding aside to respond quickly to needs that have not yet been identified. Examples include funding Emotional and Wellbeing additional sessions for pupils who have a social worker/ training staff in bespoke training such as techniques to support pupils experiencing Emotional Based School Avoidance.	

Total budgeted cost: £ 16,570

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 2023 to 2024 academic year.

Our **internal assessments** during 2024/25 suggest a continuing mixed picture for the performance of our disadvantaged pupils.

With regards to attainment and progress in the key areas of Reading, Writing and Maths:

Pupil	Yr Group	Reading		Writing		Maths		Combined		External	Attendance
		Att	Pr	Att	Pr	Att	Pr	Att	Pr	N/A	
A	5	B	G	B	G	WT	G	WT	G	N/A	97.1%
B	5	WT	G	B	RE	E	G	WT	G	Passed PSC	87.5%
C	1	E	G	E	G	E	G	E	G	N/A	82.26%
D	R	E	G	WT	G	WT	G	WT	G	No GLD	75.6%
E	5	WT	RI	WT	G	E	VG	WT	G	Did not pass PSC	86.9%
F	1	B	RI	B	RI	B	RI	B	RI	15/25 in MTC	86.9%
G	4	E	VG	WT	G	WT	G	WT	G	N/A	93.9%
H	2	E	G	E	G	GD	VG	E	G	N/A	94.1%
I	2	E	G	WT	G	WT	G	WT	G	N/A	93.6%

Please note the following codes have been applied:

att –attainment
 pr – progress
 WT or B – Below ARE
 E – Expected standard
 GD – Greater depth than expected standard
 G – Good progress
 RI – Progress requires improvement
 VG – Very good progress

Externally reported Assessments

1 PP child was assessed at the end of EYFS. This pupil did not achieve a Good Level of Development.

2 PP children took the Phonics screening check one passed and one did not.

1 Pupil took the Year 4 MTC and achieved a score below 20 marks.

0 Pupils took the KS1 SATs.

0 pupils took the KS2 SATs.

Attendance

Our attendance analysis for our PPG students shows that 44% of pupils had an attendance percentage above 90% and 11% of PPG pupils had the target attendance of above 95%. This is a decrease on the previous year and this is why attendance remains a focus for our current plan.

We intend to build in wellbeing support for pupils and targeted interventions in this current plan using some of the contingency funding mentioned above as several pupils in receipt of PP grant have SEMH needs.

Externally provided programmes

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you purchased in the previous academic year. This will help the Department for Education identify which ones are popular in England

Programme	Provider
Revised Letters and Sounds	Little Wandle
Maths No Problem	Maths No Problem
CUSP Writing, Spelling, Science, History, Geography, Art, DT, Music, French	CUSP Curriculum with Unity Schools Partnership

Further information (optional)

Our pupil premium strategy will be supplemented by additional activity that is not being funded by pupil premium or recovery premium. That will include:

- offering a wide range of high-quality extracurricular activities to boost wellbeing, behaviour, attendance, and aspiration. Activities will focus on building life skills such as confidence, resilience, and socialising. Disadvantaged pupils will be encouraged and supported to participate.