Pupil premium strategy statement

St. Anne's Catholic Primary School

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	St. Anne's Catholic Primary School
Number of pupils in school	231
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	51%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3-year plans are recommended)	2023-2026
Date this statement was published	December 2024
Date on which it will be reviewed	December 2025
Statement authorised by	Gill Murphy (Headteacher)
Pupil premium lead	Gill Murphy
Governor / Trustee lead	Terry Phillips

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	173,067.00
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	173,067.00
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

At St. Anne's Catholic Primary School our intention is that all pupils, irrespective of their background or the challenges that they face, make good progress and achieve high attainment across all subject areas. The focus of our pupil premium strategy is to support disadvantaged pupils to achieve that goal and to make progress from their starting points.

We will consider the challenges faced by vulnerable pupils, such as those who have a social worker and any young carers. The activity we have outlined in this statement is also intended to support their needs, regardless of whether they are disadvantaged or not.

High-quality teaching is at the heart of our approach, with a focus on areas in which disadvantaged pupils require the most support. This is proven to have the greatest impact on closing the disadvantage attainment gap and at the same time will benefit the non-disadvantaged pupils in our school.

Our strategy is also integral to wider school plans for educational recovery, notably in the past we have used targeted support through School Led Tutoring/National Tutoring Programme for pupils whose education has been worst affected, including non-disadvantaged pupils.

Our approach will be responsive and proactive to common challenges and individual needs, through assessments and using approaches which will help pupils to excel. To ensure they are effective we will:

Ensure disadvantaged pupils are challenged in the work that they're set

Act early to intervene at the point need is identified

Adopt a whole school approach in which all staff take responsibility for disadvantaged pupils' outcomes and raise expectations of what they achieve.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Our assessments and observations indicate that the education and wellbeing of many of our disadvantaged pupils have been impacted by partial school closures to a greater extent than for other pupils. These findings are supported by national studies. This has resulted in significant knowledge gaps reading to pupils falling further behind agerelated expectations, especially in reading and writing.
2	Assessments, observations and discussions with pupils suggest disadvantaged pupils generally have greater difficulties with phonics ad communication than their peers. This negatively impacts their development as readers and writers.

3	Assessments, observations and discussions with pupils indicate under developed oral language skills and vocabulary gaps among many disadvantaged pupils. These are evident from Reception to KS2 and in general are more prevalent among our disadvantaged pupils than their peers.
4	Our attendance data over the past two years (since the pandemic) indicates that attendance among disadvantaged pupils has been 2.0% lower than non-disadvantaged.
5	Our assessments, observations and discussions with families and pupils have identified social and emotional barriers to learning and a lack of enrichment opportunities during school closures. These challenges have particularly affected our disadvantaged pupils, including their attainment.

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
Reduction in barriers to learning and improved wellbeing for all pupils in our school, particularly	Sustained levels of wellbeing will be demonstrated through:
our disadvantaged pupils.	Qualitive data from pupil voice, parents' surveys, learning mentor feedback and teacher observations.
	Reduction in behavioural incidents
	Increase in enrichment opportunities
	Increase in attendance of groups/whole school.
Improved reading attainment for disadvantaged pupils	KS2 reading outcomes show an increase in disadvantaged pupils meeting the expected standard.
Improved writing attainment for disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS2	KS2 writing outcomes show an increase in disadvantaged pupils meeting the expected standard.
Improved oral language skills and vocabulary among disadvantaged pupils	Assessments and observations indicate significantly improved oral language among disadvantaged pupils. This evidence includes engagement in lessons, books scrutiny and ongoing formative assessment.
To achieve and sustain improved attendance for all pupils, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.	Sustained high attendance will be demonstrated by:
	Reduction in overall absence rate for all pupils and the attendance gap between disadvantaged pupils and non-disadvantaged pupils being reduced.
	The percentage of all pupils who are persistently absent and groups has significantly reduced.

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: £59,000.00

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Deployment of Wellcom Lead to develop early communication skills along with additional time for our SENDCO to support individual children and class teaching. Targeted support to enhance provision for children across the school for language and communication, with focus on independence and 'have a go' first before intervention.	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 (educationendow-mentfoundation.org.uk) And in small groups: Small group tuition Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	1,2,3
Purchase of additional Literacy Counts resources and schemes of work to provide high quality teaching and learning for all.	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)	1,2,3
Purchase of additional writing/communication resources to enhance and develop independent writing.	The EEF guidance is based on a range of the best available evidence: Improving Mathematics in Key Stages 2 and 3	
Purchase of Maths scheme for whole school including enhanced resources e.g. manipulatives to promote		

mastery approach across	
whole school.	
Development of our	
communication	
curriculum- one that is	
language rich and	
promotes communication	
across subject areas.	

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

Budgeted cost: £41,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
WellComm, Chatta, and EYFS Communication Project – speech, language and communication focused to deliver specific support to targeted children.	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	1,2,3,4
Music, Spanish and IT teachers (across KS2) Weekly/fortnightly lessons across the school to enhance and enrich learning experiences.	Assessments and observations in schools similar to ours indicate that curriculum enrichments add to engagement in lessons and recall related to the children knowing and remembering more.	3,2
Additional time for Phonics lead to support the teaching of phonics across EYFS/KS1 and Y3).	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:	1,2,3,4
Early reading development lead, including monitoring reading program and libraries, parent workshops.	Phonics Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	

To develop reading at	
home initiative to promote	
love of reading at home.	

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

Budgeted cost: £78,000.00

dugeted cost. 178,000.00				
Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed		
Planned curriculum which allows for enriched learning opportunities outside of the classroom Resources needed for extra-curricular clubs purchased and extra hours for TA's to support delivery of clubs.	Both targeted interventions and universal approaches can have positive overall effects: Behaviour interventions EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk) Assessments and observations in schools similar to ours indicate that curriculum enrichments add to engagement in lessons and recall related to the children knowing and remembering more.			
School minibus use to attend events, trips, visits and curriculum/competition opportunities. To deliver inter-personal activities to small groups and individual pupils e.g. play therapy	The DfE guidance has been informed by engagement with schools that have significantly reduced levels of absence and persistent absence. 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.	1,2,3,4,5		
Interpreters support parents, staff and pupils in understanding the importance of school attendance, curriculum and school practice. Learning Mentor: Work with individuals and small groups of pupils to develop	Evidence shows that children eating a breakfast daily improves their engagement in school learning and lessons.			

social and emotional skills and gain confidence. Help overcome social and emotional barriers Attendance Initiatives/Attendance team/EWO service Effective breakfast provision in place supporting a healthy lifestyle. Providing a hot school meal for some families who are not eligible for benefit related support **Uniform Costs and Food** bank resources to support families in need on a weekly basis.

Additional funding from allocation to be further disseminated during Autumn term, dependent on additional needs/monitoring.

- unforeseen circumstances e.g. uniform/shoes
- to support activities of PP children outside of the school day as and when appropriate to their specific need
- contingency for actions from pupil data meetings and case reviews
- Residentials, clothes and items
- Further curriculum enhancements e.g. additional resources for phonics/reading

Please not that any additional spending will come from alternative budget lines

*Due to the changing levels of mobility within the school context, exact percentages will fluctuate throughout the year.

Total budgeted cost: £178,000.00

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 2022-2023 academic year.

Attendance Data for academic year 2022-2023 ALL 4.7%, P.P. 4.9% and P. A's ALL 13.6% and PP 12%

Whole School Data Summary 2024

EYFS

	GLD (Good level of Development)
2023	58%
2024	60.1%

KS1

	Reading	Writing	Maths
2023 – expected standard	59% (inc 4% GDS)	49% (inc 4% GDS)	61.5% (inc 8% GDS)
2024-expected standard	60% (3% GDS)	67% (3% GDS)	67% (3%)

Y1 Phonics

P	ho	ni	CS

2023	73%
2024	71%

Y4 Multiplication check

Results	2023	2024
25/25	20%	50%
Average score	21.6	23.2

KS2 SATS.

	Reading	Writing	Maths	Combined (R <w<m)< th=""></w<m)<>
2023	75% (29% GD)	77% (12% GD)	77% (17% GD)	73%
2024	73% (22%)	69% (18%)	73% (24%)	64%

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	
-----------	--	----------	--

Read, Write Inc	
Literacy Counts	Steps2Read and Read2Write, Spelling programs
Mathematics Mastery	Ark Curriculum

Service pupil premium funding (optional)

For schools that receive this funding, you may wish to provide the following information:

Measure	Details
How did you spend your service pupil premium allocation last academic year?	N/A
What was the impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils?	N/A