Pupil premium strategy statement

Newton Hall Infants' School



This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2021 to 2022 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	Newton Hall Infants' School
Number of pupils in school	154
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	11.7%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2021-2024
Date this statement was published	December 2022
Date on which it will be reviewed	July 2023
Statement authorised by	Lynne Frazer Headteacher
Pupil premium lead	Lynne Frazer
Governor / Trustee lead	Cllr. F.M. Simmons

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£25,210
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£2,610
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£27,820
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

Newton Hall Infants' School is a very special school where our happy confident children love to learn and know that they are cared for. Despite any barriers children may face, we expect all of them to make strong progress and achieve well across the curriculum. The aim of our pupil premium strategy is to support disadvantaged children to reach these goals, no matter what their starting points may be. We are ambitious for all children, especially those who are disadvantaged. Teachers know all their children very well, allowing targeted provision for those with the greatest needs.

Our vulnerable children have many challenges to their learning and we aim to reduce the influence of these barriers through a wide range of school-based activities. Our response will be flexible in response to changing needs and challenges.

Our policy on marking, feedback and assessment will closely monitor the needs of all children, including those who are disadvantaged. Feedback is solely for pupils' benefit, to enable them learn to quickly from their teacher's guidance.

Our aim is to ensure that any difference in attainment between groups of children diminish and all children achieve well. Whilst our main aim is to raise academic attainment, we also aim to ensure that children have a wide range of opportunities and experiences to develop confidence, self-esteem and have high aspirations. We will focus on high quality teaching and effective deployment of staff to support disadvantaged children. Our decisions are based on detailed analysis of the data and responding to current educational evidence.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	As an Infant School we provide Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) for all children therefore parents do not see the benefit of completing the paperwork for receiving the Pupil Premium Funding
2	Lower starting points across school due to Lockdown and missed learning opportunities

3	All children need high quality teaching and feedback to ensure they make progress and develop appropriate skills and knowledge.
4	Children having multiple characteristics e.g. Pupil Premium, SEND, PLAC
5	Improve phonics and reading to enhance reading skills and influence reading for pleasure
6	Enhance basic numeracy skills
7	Some of our disadvantaged pupils have limited access to cultural/social activities

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	
Achieve at least national average progress scores in KS1 Reading	Interventions across school to take place regularly	
Achieve at least national average progress scores in KS1 Writing	Quality first teaching to be good or outstanding	
Achieve at least national average progress scores in KS1 Maths	Immediate interventions to be evidenced in books and through walkthroughs of TA / teachers	
	Analysis of data	
	Pupil Progress meetings	
Achieve at least national average expected	Daily phonics lessons	
standard in Phonics Screening Check	Replenished resources that are fit for purpose	
	Review phonics scheme and training for all staff	
Achieve at least national average meeting the	QFT daily for all children	
Early Learning Goal	Daily interventions	
	Regular access to outdoors	
	Feedback to parents	
Children entitled to pupil premium have FREE access to extra-curricular	Increased access to a range of after school clubs	
opportunities/ and school trips to widen	Trips / visits to be funded by the school	
their experiences and raise aspirations	Food available to supplement breakfasts	

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: £12, 000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 teachers will access Mastering Number for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	Studies into early number approaches indicate that, on average, they can have a positive impact on learning equivalent to approximately six months' additional progress for early mathematics outcomes. Approaches tend to produce larger effects when they are designed to develop a particular mathematical skill and commit a regular amount of time to developing mathematics (which this programme does). https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/early-years-toolkit/early-numeracy-approaches	236
All staff to take part in phonics training Review books and resources	Key findings in the Education Endowment Foundation's research shows that phonics has a positive impact overall (+5 months) and is an important component in the development of early reading skills, particularly for children from disadvantaged backgrounds. There is a high impact for very low cost. This is based on extensive evidence. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/phonics	235

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

Budgeted cost: £12,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Teaching Assistants will deliver small group reading Interventions.	Research has shown that effective diagnosis of reading difficulties is important in identifying possible solutions, particularly for older struggling readers. Pupils can struggle with decoding words, understanding the structure of the language used, or understanding particular vocabulary, which may be subject specific. This is more easily identifiable when a	235

	smaller reading group intervention is taking place. The focus of these interventions will be to increase fluency, confidence and understanding of the text. The average impact of reading comprehension strategies is an additional six months' progress over the course of a year. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/reading-comprehensionstrategies	
Teaching Assistants will deliver small group or individual phonics Interventions.	Research shows that the teaching of phonics should be explicit and systematic to support children in making connections between the sound patterns they hear in words and the way that these words are written. The teaching of phonics should be matched to children's current level of skill in terms of their phonemic awareness and their knowledge of letter sounds and patterns (graphemes). Our pupils will access small group intervention sessions that are specifically tailored for their needs. The average impact of the adoption of phonics approaches is about an additional five months' progress over the course of a year. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/phonics	235
Teaching Assistants will deliver small group or one-to- one mathematics interventions.	Research shows that teaching assistant interventions can provide a large positive impact on learner outcomes but how they are deployed is key. Targeted deployment, where teaching assistants are trained to deliver an intervention to small groups or individuals, has a higher impact. The average impact of the deployment of teaching assistants is about an additional four months' progress over the course of a year. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/teaching-assistantinterventions	2346

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

Budgeted cost: £3,820

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
All staff to take part in Zones of Regulation Re-training.	This training will enable staff to have a firm understanding as to how using the Zones of Regulation can have a positive impact on the social and emotional needs of the pupils in their classroom. Social and emotional learning (SEL) approaches have a positive impact, on average, of 4 months additional progress in academic outcomes over the course of an academic year. Alongside academic outcomes, SEL interventions have an identifiable and valuable impact on attitudes to learning and social relationships in school.	47

	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/social-and-emotionallearning	
Fund cost of out of school trips/ experiences.	Some families are unable to contribute towards out of school experiences such as visitors or educational trips. The school will support financially PP parents/carers with this.	47
Fund cost of out of school enrichments	Some families are unable to contribute towards in-school enrichment activities such as music opportunities and extra-curricular activities. The school will offer a contribution towards any of these activities for pupils eligible for PP.	4 7
Review outdoor play provision in Early Years	This will provide experiences and opportunities that the children may otherwise not be able to access and improve their overall well-being	4 7

Total budgeted cost: £27,820

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 2020 to 2021 academic year. See separate Pupil Premium Statement for 2020/21.

Due to COVID-19, performance measures have not been published for 2020 to 2021, and 2020 to 2021 results will not be used to hold schools to account.

Our internal assessments during 2020-21 suggest that the performance of disadvantaged pupils was lower than the previous years in all areas of the curriculum.

Our assessment of the reasons for these outcomes points primarily to COVID-19 impact which disrupted all our subject areas to varying degrees. As evidenced in schools across the country, school closure was most detrimental to our disadvantaged pupils, and they were not able to benefit from our pupil premium funded improvements to teaching and targeted intervention to the degree we had intended. The impact of this was mitigated by a high-quality remote curriculum and extensive support to pupils.

Our unvalidated data for 2021-22 show the positive impact of our Pupil Premium spending and Recovery Premium spending.

	Newton Hall All pupils % EXP and	Newton Hall Disadvantaged %	National All pupils % EXP and
	above	EXP and above	above
KS1 Reading	73	50	67
KS1 Writing	73	40	58
KS1 Maths	75	40	68