

Pupil Premium – 2016-17

What is Pupil Premium?

Pupil Premium was introduced by the Department for Education (DfE) in 2011, as additional funding for pupils who receive Free School Meals and who are Looked After Children. This is because the DfE have recognised that good education is the key to improving young people's life chances. This is particularly true for children from low-income families, or who are Looked After Children, who are far less likely to leave schools with good GCSE results than other children. The Pupil Premium, using additional resources from outside the School's Budget, is intended to address the current inequalities by ensuring that funding reaches the pupils who need it most.

The Pupil Premium has also been introduced for children whose parents are currently serving in the armed forces. This service premium is designed to address the emotional and social well-being of these pupils.

Funding for Pupil Premium for 2016-17, reflects how the money is used for different categories of children. This funding will continue into the 2017-2018 financial year. £1320 is allocated to each child who receives Free School Meals or who is classified as a 'Looked After Child'. £300 is allocated for each child whose parent is currently serving the armed forces. The school received a total of £10260 in the 2016-2017 financial year. Funding of £1900 per pupil is also provided for any pupil who has previously been in the care of the local authority. The DfE have agreed that it is for schools to decide how the Pupil Premium is spent, since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils within their responsibility. However, future Ofsted Inspections will focus on use of Pupil Premium and how effectively schools are using this additional money.

Is your child entitled to Pupil Premium Funding?

We encourage all parents and carers to ensure that staff at our school know whether their child is entitled to Pupil Premium Funding or has a parent who is a member of the armed services.

Parents can register their child for Pupil Premium Funding if they are in receipt of any of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs, that does not exceed £16,190
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

More information about Pupil Premium can be found on the DfE website at:

<http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/pupilsupport/premium/b0076063/pp>

Pupil Premium at St Martin's CE Primary School

At St Martin's CE Primary School, we believe in 'Achievement by All' and have always strived to ensure that all children make good progress. Our pastoral care and rigorous monitoring and tracking of all pupils helps us to identify any pupils who are at risk of not making sufficient progress and have helped us to plan and implement good intervention strategies.

The profile of our school shows that 6.4% (8 pupils) of pupils were eligible for Pupil Premium funding in 2016-17, as follows:

- 2.3% (3) of pupils in the school who have received free school meals over the past six years (£3960)
- 1.6% (2) pupil in the school who was from service families (£600)
- 2.4% (3) pupils who have funding for previously having been in care. (£5 700)

"Schools, Headteachers and teachers will decide how to use the Pupil Premium allocation, as they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for individual pupils." Source DfE website

Below is a summary of the range of activities and interventions that the Pupil Premium has funded. This includes some new and discrete activities and interventions that we have always employed that are known to support pupil progress and attainment. Some intervention strategies use the expertise of our Teaching Assistants (TAs), many of whom have had specialist training.

These include:

- Additional Teaching Assistant time for, 1:1 support or additional support as part of a smaller group
- Small group support for specific areas including spelling, handwriting, reading
- Teacher led booster group for reading, and maths (Messy Phonics)
- Emotional Literacy Support (ELSA). The ELSA work involves pupils understanding and coping with the feelings of themselves and others, as well as developing high self-esteem. This includes additional visits for transition from class to class with Teaching Assistant support and time for class observations during the summer term for vulnerable pupils due to changing classes.

In addition to this, some of the children who are eligible for Pupil Premium, have also been identified as working below age-related expectations in literacy and/or maths and have had short-term individualised intensive intervention to accelerate progress

What has the Impact of Pupil Premium been at St Martin's CE Primary School?

The impact of our provision for 2016-17 shows that:

- one pupil has met the expected national Standard. The other pupil has been receiving regular support for English and maths and is making progress.

- 2 pupils who received Free School Meals over the past 6 years have left the school. The third pupil is meeting expectations with funding used to provide opportunities for cycling proficiency and for the class residential visit.

- The 3 pupils who received funding for having previously been in care. One pupil is meeting the expected standard academically but receiving support for emotional problems from the ELSA. The other 2 pupils are below the expected standard and are receiving small group interventions and 1-1 support. Both pupils have made measurable progress.

What are the plans for the 2017-18 Pupil Premium?

Our School Improvement Planning for St Martin's Primary School includes clear systems to ensure that any additional funding will impact on children entitled to getting Pupil Premium. This includes good tracking of pupils and the evaluation of additional intervention strategies that are subsequently put in place. As a parent or carer of a child who is entitled to Pupil Premium, Parents' Evenings will provide a good opportunity to review children's progress and the intervention strategies that have been used.

- Autumn Term Daily support to enhance and reinforce work taught in literacy and numeracy during class sessions by a teaching assistant.

- Booster sessions to encourage pupil premium children to achieve the age related expectations in literacy and mathematics.