

Pupil premium 2018 -2019

In the academic year 2017-2018 the school is receiving a total of £49480 pupil premium funding of which £44800.80 PP and £4600 PP+. There are currently 34 pupil premium children on roll.

The main barriers to educational achievement at Alverthorpe St Pauls CE(VA) School are

- Poor basic skills, particularly difficulties with reading
- Attendance including holidays
- Family issues – divorce, bereavement
- Low aspirations

For these reasons, we use our pupil premium funding money to pay for a Learning Mentor. Our Learning Mentor is the main link between home and school for some families, with a supportive and practical approach to parents which, while non-threatening, is none the less firm about the need for children to be in school. She has worked with bereaved families to ensure that the children's education does not suffer.

An increasing number of children are in need of emotional support and a teaching assistant has been trained as an ELSA to work with these children. We may need to look to increasing this provision to meet the needs of children as they are identified.

We spend money on teaching assistants to support children's learning alongside the class teacher. We are fortunate to have a number of highly skilled and experienced teaching assistants who are able to reinforce the teaching provided by the class teacher and to support learning through the scaffolding of small steps, allowing each step to be mastered leading to a completed challenge. Our teaching assistants are highly trained to carry out a number of interventions to diminish the differences between pupil premium and non pupil premium children. We will be introducing a new reading intervention programme which will target pupil premium children.

The money allows school to encourage pupil premium children to take up a musical instrument, paying for instruments and lessons for children, thus giving children access to a broader range of opportunities than they would otherwise be able to afford. This allows children to fit in with their peer group and expands their skills and mental processes.

The impact of Pupil Premium spending will be measured by attendance, particularly that of children with ongoing attendance issues, the reduction of the number of incidents that disrupt learning for individuals or classes due to emotional behavioural issues and by academic attainment and progress. The involvement of pupil premium children in after school activities, day and residential visits and uptake of musical instrument playing will also be monitored.

Proposed spending plan 2018 - 2019

Who/what	Why	What	Cost	Impact
Learning Mentor	To be a consistent home-school link, particularly with families known to be in difficulty whether it is through financial worries, ill-health, emotional and behavioural issues and to ensure that children attend school whenever possible.	To meet the nurture group children and their parents each day and act as a liaison/first point of contact for our most vulnerable children To review attendance every day and follow up unexplained absence for safeguarding and attendance procedures To talk to parents and children about issues that arise particularly in cases of perceived bullying and friendships breaking down To work with target children on reading To be available to children at break and lunchtimes To be the Senior Lunchtime Supervisor ensuring that lunchtimes are happy and productive for children	£23558.00	
Teaching Assistants for English and Maths support	To run intervention groups to diminish differences between those children in receipt of the Pupil Premium and those who are not	To work with those children who are at risk of not keeping up with their peers and succeeding at their full potential and ensure that all children have a chance to achieve their best.	£12187.00	
Teacher for Intervention work	To target specific children who need particular help to raise their achievement in English	To work with children from Y2 to Y6 on comprehension and vocabulary work	£7088.00	
Rapid Reading intervention scheme	To raise attainment in Reading through enhancing reading fluency and comprehension	For use by children from Y1 to Y6.	£2400.00	

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TA for nurture group	To work with the children in nurture group talking to them about the day ahead, allaying worries and potential difficulties	To talk and play co-operative games	£1346.00	
Y4 Residential	To ensure that all children have the opportunity to attend one residential at school	To contribute towards the cost of the residential for children who receive Free School Meals/ are in receipt of the Pupil Premium (see Finance policies)	£986.00	
Music tuition	To ensure that money is not a barrier to children exploring their talents and achieving in an extra-curricular activity	To pay for instrumental lessons and music club	£567.00	
Uniform	To ensure that no child stands out in school through not having correct uniform	To pay for two jumpers or cardigans per child per year	£620.40	
Milk	To help to ensure that all children who want milk have access to it so that lack of money does not hinder their growth and physical development	To pay for a carton of milk per day for children in receipt of the Pupil Premium	£600.00	
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