



Pondhu  
Primary School

## M-36 Pupil Premium Policy

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Date of Next Review:	Summer 2019

## **PUPIL PREMIUM POLICY**

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The Pupil Premium Grant is an allocation of additional funding provided to schools to support specific groups of children who are vulnerable to possible underachievement. These include pupils who are entitled to free school meals, and children of parents who are armed service personnel. Pupil Premium Plus is an additional payment made for children who are looked after by the Local Authority or are subject to Special Guardianship Orders. The school is required to publish online information about how it has used the pupil premium funds.

As a Rights Respecting School the use of the Pupil Premium Grant supports the UNCRC and in particular Article 26 “You have the right to help from the government if you are poor or need help in some way”, Article 28 – “Every child has the right to an education”. Article 29 – “Education must develop every child’s personality, talents and abilities to the full” and Article 31 – “Every child has the right to relax, play and join in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities”.

The Pupil Premium Grant is intended to support those pupils identified in the groups above. When making decisions about pupil premium funding the school will be aware of the context and the challenges faced by the pupils. Common barriers to making progress may include less support at home, weak language and communication skills, lack of confidence and low self-esteem, more frequent behaviour issues and attendance and punctuality issues. There may be complex family situations that impacts on the children’s development. The challenges are varied and there is no ‘one size fits all’.

At Pondhu Primary School we strive to maximise the impact of our pupil premium spending. We work in partnership with parents and carers providing a specific budget of up to £100 per annum per eligible pupil to be used at the parents / carers discretion to enable the child to have full, correct uniform, engage with extra-curricular activities that levy a charge or any other activity or resource felt necessary. The school reserves the right to allocate any outstanding balance to new pupils who may meet the criteria but were not pupils during January Census each year. The Headteacher will report to the autumn term finance committee the balance not committed and how this was used to supplement school provision for other DPP pupils.

Pondhu Primary School’s Pupil Premium Grant for 2018 – 2019 is £174,240

The attached tables show the agreed use of pupil premium grant for 2017 – 2018 including the impact this had and the planned use for 2018 – 2019. The impact of the pupil premium is closely monitored and its allocation is adapted if deemed necessary.

The governor with responsibility for pupil premium is the Chair of Finance – Karen Hearn.

The Headteacher will report to the Finance Committee on the use and impact of the pupil premium termly.

#### **Policy review**

This policy was reviewed in Summer 2018 and will be reviewed annually.

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