### **Pupil premium strategy statement**

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	Fernhurst Primary School
Number of pupils in school	156
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	10%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2021/2022 to 2024/2025
Date this statement was published	December 2021
Date on which it will be reviewed	July 2022
Statement authorised by	Jen Thornton, Headteacher
Pupil premium lead	Sarah Allen, class teacher
Governor / Trustee lead	Sue Ogilvy, lead for disadvantaged pupils

## **Funding overview**

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£29,245.00
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£3045
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£32,290.00
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

Our mission is for all pupils, irrespective of background, to achieve their fullest potential academically and socially. We aim to support children by removing barriers to their learning, encouraging good progress therefore leading to high attainment. We support disadvantaged pupils to attain this goal. We encourage all children with Pupil Premium status to engage in all elements of school life and we support them to do this.

Our Pupil Premium Strategy will support disadvantaged pupils through high-quality first teaching. This has been evidenced to be impactful at reducing the gap in attainment and will ensure that even high attaining pupils achieve their potential. Clear formative and summative assessments will ensure children's learning is supported appropriately and any gaps are filled prior to new learning added. Specialist teachers are used in certain subjects, such as languages and music, ensuring the curriculum is accessible to all pupils. As part of the recovery funding, pupils are also being supporting with a tutoring program from the University Trust of which we are part. The activities we have outlined in this statement is intended to support their needs, regardless of whether they are disadvantaged or not.

All pupils' wellbeing is a high priority in our school. This is supported through our highly-trained ELSA team and pupils are supported with managing their emotions with a solution focus. This supports pupils with developing resilience, build positive relationships and reflectiveness. Alongside our full accredited Forest Schools offer, this pupil-centred inspirational learning process offers opportunities for holistic growth through regular sessions. It is a long-term program that supports play, exploration and supported risk taking.

#### **Challenges**

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Speech and language/vocabulary deficiency
	<ul> <li>71% of PP pupils are currently working at working towards expectations or below in writing.</li> </ul>
2	Economic/social disadvantage
	<ul> <li>Impacts on life experiences – many disadvantaged pupils have limited experiences beyond the family home/locality. During school closure, many disadvantaged pupils had no access to enrichment activities.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>For some, basic needs are not met e.g. breakfast, correct uniform etc. –</li> <li>Low aspirations from some disadvantaged families – cycle of underachievement/disengagement with education, including homelearning.</li> </ul>
3	<ul> <li>Attendance</li> <li>29% of PP pupils have below 90% attendance. This is of a particular issue in KS2 as it goes up to 36%.</li> </ul>
4	Social, Emotional and Mental Health issues (SEMH)  • Some PP pupils exposed to historical DV.
5	<ul> <li>Reading</li> <li>65% of PP pupils are currently working towards or below age expected standards in reading.</li> <li>National states previously 73% of pupils were achieving age related expectations in reading.</li> </ul>

#### **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
Raised attainment in reading, writing, maths and phonics.	Difference is diminished within school between disadvantaged and their peers. Levels are in line with national outcomes for disadvantaged pupils.
Pupils and their parents engage and attend events.	All pupils are able to attend extra-curricular activities and events.
Overall attendance rates show an upward trend and the attendance of disadvantaged pupils is at least in line with those of their non-disadvantaged peers in school.	Attendance is 95%+ for most disadvantaged pupils.

## 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: £13442.17

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
High-quality teaching of Music and Languages through a specialist teacher.	EEF has evidenced importance of, "having deep subject knowledge and flexible understanding of what is being taught." <a href="https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/arts-participation">https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/arts-participation</a>	1,2
Develop writing across the school by reviewing the curriculum, strategies, sequencing etc to support writing development.	EEF has evidenced "that success in literacy relies on the secure development of language, and that these skills are amongst the best predictors of educational success."  https://d2tic4wvo1iusb.cloudfront.net/eef-guidance-reports/literacy-early-years/Supporting oral language development 2021 -08-18-154019 ehqs.pdf  "The quality of linguistic input can be characterised in a number of different ways, but central is the need for socially meaningful contexts to support learning."  https://d2tic4wvo1iusb.cloudfront.net/documents/guidance/Law_et_al_Early_Language_Develop_ment_final.pdf	1,5
Variety of books added to the library and access online to different texts.	Improving reading fluency https://d2tic4wvo1iusb.cloudfront.net/eef-guidance- reports/literacy-ks2/EEF-KS2-lit-2nd- Recommendations-poster.pdf Access to high-quality texts, with rich vocabulary exposes pupils to a wider vocabulary, thus improving reading comprehension and language skills. EEF cite the importance of using vocabulary-rich texts. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educat ion-evidence/teachinglearning-toolkit/oral-language- interventions	1,5

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

Budgeted cost: £14098.83

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Targeted ELSA provision support the with the wellbeing.	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education- evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/metacognition-and- self-regulation	1,3,4
Small group and individual tuition led by experienced school staff.	Teaching and Learning Toolkit EEF Small Group Tuition https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/small-group-tuitionhttps://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/one-to-one-tuition	1,2,3,4,5
Academic mentor used to support small scale intervention throughout the school.	Teaching and Learning Toolkit EEF Small Group Tuition <a href="https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/small-group-tuition">https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/one-to-one-tuition</a>	1,2,3,4,5

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

Budgeted cost: £4749.00

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challen ge number( s) address ed
Provide enrichment activities for pupils (e.g. trips, visitors, Forest School). Extend offer of extra-curricular activities to enhance the curriculum.	Research shows that building cultural capital, providing rich, varied enrichment activities has impact on the life experiences of disadvantaged children. Through pupil conferencing in school, we know that pupils value wider experiences like Forest School, which in turn has had a positive impact on some pupils' attendance.	2,3,5
Support families with finance for before and afterschool clubs to ensure attendance.	Significance of <a href="https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/arts-participation">https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/arts-participation</a>	2,3
Whole school CPD with Mark Finnis	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education- evidence/guidance- reports/behaviour?utm_source=/education- evidence/guidance-	1,2

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Total budgeted cost: £ 32290.00

# 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 2020 to 2021 academic year.

Due to COVID-19, the provision through the Pupil Premium funding allowed all disadvantaged children to access home learning. The well-being support through the ELSA team ensured that children were closely monitored, and bespoke support was put in place where appropriate enabling more pupils to access their learning.

The school worked with speech and language initiatives, such as NELLI, to support the development of speech for pupils as well as vocabulary development within all curriculum subjects.

Reading was well supported with the introduction of Little Wandle phonics. This required specific intervention for pupils to support a rapid catch up programme. This was effective with good progress evident for the pupils involved.

Attendance support in place supported families to improve attendance for the vast majority of pupils with attendance at 96.88% for PP pupils by the end of the Summer term 2022.

#### **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

## Service pupil premium funding (not included as the school has no service children)