



St Leonard's RC Primary School

We shine in the Light of Jesus

Pupil Premium Policy

St Leonard's RC Primary School offers a positive, safe learning environment for its community, in which everyone has equal and individual recognition and respect. We celebrate success and are committed to the continuous improvement and fulfilment of potential in every child. We encourage increasing confidence, independence and self-discipline amongst the pupils. Everyone within the school has an important role to play in sharing responsibility for the development of positive behaviour and attitudes.

At St Leonard's we, receive additional money targeted on our deprived children, we will be held to account for our spending, it is our responsibility to ensure that these funds are well spend for each child in order to improve their life chances.

What is Pupil Premium?

Pupil premium is additional funding, from the government, provided to schools for supporting more pupils from low income families to ensure they benefit from the same opportunities as all other children in reaching their full potential. There are four categories of children that qualify for pupil premium:

- Children who are eligible for Free School Meals
- Children who have been eligible for free school meals at any time during the past 6 years (FSM6)
- Children who are looked after
- Armed forces children

For Looked After children (LAC), the premium must be managed by the designated person and this is currently Mrs Doherty. The designated person must ensure that there are arrangements in place to discuss how the child will best benefit from pupil premium funding with the designated teacher in the child's education setting.

It is for schools to decide how the Pupil Premium funding is spent, since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils for whom they are responsible. The Pupil Premium funding is allocated to schools based on the number of pupils who qualify for Pupil Premium according to the January school census data.

Schools have the freedom to spend the Premium, which is additional to the underlying schools budget, in a way they think will best support the raising of attainment and aspirations of the most vulnerable pupils.

All our staff and governors accept responsibility for 'socially disadvantaged' pupils and are committed to meeting their pastoral, social and academic needs within a

caring environment. The targeted and strategic use of pupil premium will support us in achieving our vision.

Are you eligible for Free School Meals, Pupil Premium Money?

Free school meals save your household up to £418 a year per child.

Pupil premium – Get £1320 for your child's school to improve education.

Early years pupil premium (EYPP) – over £300 for your child's early years and childcare provider to improve provision

Infants - Reception, Years 1 and 2

All children get free school meals if they are in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

If you or your partner receives one of the qualifying benefits you can apply for pupil premium to get extra money for your child's school.

Key Stage 2 - Year 3 to Year 6

Your child is eligible for free school meals if you or your partner receives one of the qualifying benefits. When making your application you are also applying for the pupil premium for your child's school.

Principles

- We seek to ensure that teaching and learning opportunities meet the needs of all of the pupils;
- We seek to ensure that appropriate provision is made for pupils who belong to vulnerable groups, this includes ensuring that the needs of socially disadvantaged pupils are adequately assessed and addressed;
- In making provision for socially disadvantaged pupils, we recognise that not all pupils who receive free school meals will be socially disadvantaged;
- We also recognise that not all pupils who are socially disadvantaged are registered or qualify for free school meals. We reserve the right to allocate the Pupil Premium funding to support any pupil or groups of pupils the school has legitimately identified as being in need of intervention and support;
- Pupil premium funding will be allocated following a needs analysis which will identify priority classes, groups or individuals.

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ALL children across the school receive good teaching where we:

- ✓ Set high expectations
 - ✓ Address any within school variance
 - ✓ Ensure consistent implementation of effective feedback
 - ✓ Share good practice within school
 - ✓ Provide high quality Professional development
 - ✓ Improve assessment through moderation.
- We will work closely with parents and focus on building strong relationships and engagement
 - We will continue to focus on promoting attendance, punctuality and positive behaviour

Reporting

- It will be the responsibility of the Head Teacher to report to the Governors on:
 - the progress made towards narrowing the gap, for socially disadvantaged pupils;
 - an outline of the provision that is being made;
 - an evaluation of the cost effectiveness and impact of the provision in terms of the progress made by the pupils receiving a particular provision.
- Parents will receive information as to the progress of pupils through personal information sent home on Support Plans, through Learning Review Meetings for KS2 parents and through reporting of assessment results at the end of the academic year.
- The Governors of the school will ensure that there is an annual statement available to parents on how the Pupil Premium funding has been used to address the issue of 'narrowing the gap', for socially disadvantaged pupils.

This task will be carried out within the requirements published by the Department for Education and will appear on our school website.

Expenditure

Principles:

As a fully inclusive school, we firmly believe that all children have an entitlement to a curriculum which meets the needs of the individual, therefore:

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- Pupil premium funding will be allocated following a needs analysis which will identify priority classes, groups or individuals. Limited funding and resources means that not all children receiving free school meals will be in receipt of pupil premium interventions at one time.

Pupil Premium Grant (PPG) Allocation for 2017/18 is £54,220.

Success Criteria

The evaluation of this policy is based on how quickly the school can 'narrow the gap' between socially disadvantaged pupils and their peers. Interventions will be identified and evaluated annually.

The success criteria for the Pupil Premium Policy are:

- Early intervention and support for socially disadvantaged children
- The majority of socially disadvantaged children will meet their individual targets
- Having an effective system for identifying, assessing and monitoring pupils
- Having a whole-school approach to inclusion and ensuring good or better outcomes for children
- Create a positive school atmosphere in which pupils' differences are recognised and valued as full members of the school community; developing confident and independent learners

Appeals

Any appeal in connection with the disposition of the pupil premium funding will be dealt with through the Governors' appeals panel.

This policy is reviewed annually.

The next review will be in 2018