



Pupil premium strategy statement

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2022 to 2023 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	Braunston Primary School
Number of pupils in school	193
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	16.1%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2022/2023 to 2025/2026
Date this statement was published	October 2022
Date on which it will be reviewed	July 2023
Statement authorised by	Trust AIO
Pupil premium lead	Nikki Sawyer
Trustee lead	Margaret Holman

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£52019
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£4785
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0.00 if not applicable)	£0.00
Total budget for this academic year	£57679





Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

We aim for every child, within our school, to experience an excellent education and to realise their God-given potential to flourish.

Improving the achievement of disadvantaged pupils is integral to all key priorities in our improvement plan relating to the quality of education. Our intention is that all pupils, irrespective of their background or the challenges they face, make good progress across all subject areas. Our goal is to ensure that no child is left behind socially, or academically because of disadvantage.

We fully embrace research evidence regarding effective spending of pupil premium funding to focus on the challenges identified for our disadvantaged pupils including those pupils who are vulnerable and need extra support e.g. pupils who are or have been in contact with a social worker.

Our three- tiered approach has high quality teaching at the core of our pupil premium strategy proven to have the greatest impact on closing the disadvantage gap and at the same time will benefit the non-disadvantaged pupils in our school.

In addition to discussions, observations and responsive teaching, we use a range of assessments including standardised scores and gap analyses to identify specific areas to be addressed to enable our disadvantage pupils to achieve.

All colleagues take responsibility for our whole school approach for disadvantaged pupils' outcomes and raise expectations of what they can achieve.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge	Links to Tiers
1	Assessments, observations, and discussions with pupils suggest disadvantaged pupils generally have greater difficulties with phonics than their peers. This negatively impacts their development as readers.	1, 2
2	Assessments, observations, and discussions with pupils suggest disadvantaged pupils generally have greater difficulties in developing and applying their key reading strategies to reading comprehension in KS2 than their peers in readiness for secondary school.	1, 2





3	Assessments, observations, and discussions with pupils suggest disadvantaged pupils generally have greater difficulties in developing their knowledge of language, gained from stories, plays, poetry, nonfiction and textbooks to support their facility as writers in KS2 in readiness for secondary school.	1, 2
4	Assessments, observations, and discussions with pupils indicate underdeveloped oral language skills and vocabulary gaps among many disadvantaged pupils. These are evident from Reception through to KS2 and in general, are more prevalent among our disadvantaged pupils than their peers.	1, 2
5	Internal and external (where available) assessments indicate that maths attainment among disadvantaged pupils is significantly below that of non-disadvantaged pupils.	1, 2
6	Our assessments and observations indicate that the education and wellbeing of many of our disadvantaged pupils have been impacted by partial school closures to a greater extent than for other pupils. These findings are supported by national studies. This has resulted in significant knowledge gaps leading to pupils falling further behind age-related expectations, especially in maths.	1, 2
7	Our assessments (including wellbeing survey), observations and discussions with pupils and families have identified social and emotional issues for many pupils, notably due to bullying, and a lack of enrichment opportunities during school closure. These challenges particularly affect disadvantaged pupils, including their attainment. Teacher referrals for support have markedly increased during and since the pandemic. 28 pupils (25 of whom are disadvantaged) currently require additional support with social and emotional needs.	3
8	Our attendance data over the last year indicates that attendance among disadvantaged pupils has been lower than for non-disadvantaged pupils.	3





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	Challenge Number	Success criteria
Improved phonics outcomes for disadvantaged pupils.	1	Phonics outcomes in 2023/24 show that disadvantaged pupils met the expected standard in the phonics screening check in line with national average.
Improved reading attainment among disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS2.	2	KS2 reading outcomes in 2023/24 show that more than 65% of disadvantaged pupils met the expected standard.
Improved writing attainment among disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS2.	3	KS2 writing outcomes in 2023/24 show that more than 50% of disadvantaged pupils met the expected standard.
Improved oral language skills and vocabulary among disadvantaged pupils.	4	Assessments and observations indicate significantly improved oral language among disadvantaged pupils. This is evident when triangulated with other sources of evidence, including engagement in lessons, book scrutiny and ongoing formative assessment.
Improved maths attainment for disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS2.	5, 6	KS2 maths outcomes in 2023/24 show that more than 50% of disadvantaged pupils met the expected standard.
To achieve and sustain improved wellbeing for all pupils in our school, particularly our disadvantaged pupils	7	Sustained high levels of wellbeing from 2023/24 demonstrated by: • qualitative data from student voice, student and parent surveys and teacher observations • a significant increase in participation in enrichment activities, particularly among disadvantaged pupils.
To achieve and sustain improved attendance for all pupils, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.	8	Sustained high attendance from 2023/24 demonstrated by: • the overall absence rate for all pupils being no more than 5%, and the attendance gap between disadvantaged pupils and their non-disadvantaged peers being reduced.





	the percentage of all pupils who are persistently absent (below 10%) and the figure among disadvantaged pupils being in line with their peers.
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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.

Tier 1: Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £35,205

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Purchase of standardised tests and MARK analyses for reading and maths.	Standardised tests can provide reliable insights into the specific strengths and weaknesses of each pupil to help ensure they receive the correct additional support through interventions or teacher instruction: Standardised tests Assessing and Monitoring Pupil Progress Education Endowment Foundation EEF	2,5,6
Improving quality first teaching (QFT) by focusing on Rosenshine's Principles in Action. We will continue to: • access Trust CPD • commission the external teaching and learning consultant to work with staff throughout the year to focus on progression within the curriculum for all learners (Liz Mynott, Jonathan Hughes) • EYFS consultant (Katherine Towns) to work with staff to ensure the provision meets the needs of all learners • maintain a strong focus on QFT in our internal CPD programme.	Single biggest school-based factor in improving outcomes for children is the quality of teaching. The impact of high quality teaching on pupil outcomes is 3x that of any other school based factor (EEF)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
Implement a rigorous CPD Programme to deliver effectively a DfE validated Systematic Synthetic Phonics programme to secure stronger phonics teaching for all pupils (Read, Write Inc). We will continue to: • access in house training led by skilled phonics lead	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base that indicates a positive impact on the accuracy of word reading (though not necessarily comprehension), particularly for disadvantaged pupils: Phonics Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	1





 commission the external teaching and learning consultant to work with staff Provide regular non-contact time for our Phonics Lead to work with class teachers, TAs and external consultants. 		
To continue to improve our whole school approach to the teaching of reading using the teaching sequence, quality texts and progression documents. We will continue to: • access Trust CPD on reading	Single biggest school-based factor in improving outcomes for children is the quality of teaching. The impact of high quality teaching on pupil outcomes is 3x that of any other school based factor (EEF)	2
 and the teaching sequence. Maximise support from the Trusts' Literacy consultant. 		
Provide regular non-contact time for our English SL to work with class teachers, TAs and external consultants.		
To continue to improve our whole school approach to the teaching of writing using the teaching sequence, quality texts and progression documents. We will continue to:	Single biggest school-based factor in improving outcomes for children is the quality of teaching. The impact of high quality teaching on pupil outcomes is 3x that of any other school based factor (EEF)	3
 access Trust CPD on writing and the teaching sequence. 		
 Consistent approach to school's small steps in writing map 		
 Maximise support from the Trusts' Literacy consultant. 		
 Provide regular non-contact time for our English SL to work with class teachers, TAs and external consultants. 		
To continue to improve our whole school approach to the teaching of White Rose Maths focusing on fluency, reasoning and problem solving We will continue to:	Single biggest school-based factor in improving outcomes for children is the quality of teaching. The impact of high quality teaching on pupil outcomes is 3x that of any other school based factor (EEF)	5, 6
access Trust CPD on maths		
 Maximise support from the Trusts' Maths consultant and an external consultant (Jonathan Hughes) 		
Provide regular non-contact time for our Maths SL to work		





with class teachers, TAs and external consultants.	

Tier 2: Targeted academic support (for example, tutoring, one-to-one support structured interventions)

Budgeted cost: £7289

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Purchase annual subscriptions for reading and maths interventions.	Small group teaching for reading can sometimes be more effective than either 1:1 or paired tuition. (Teaching & Learning Toolkit: EEF).	2, 5, 6
Additional phonics sessions targeted at disadvantaged pupils who require further phonics support.	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base indicating a positive impact on pupils, particularly from disadvantaged backgrounds. Targeted phonics interventions have been shown to be more effective when delivered as regular sessions over a period up to 12 weeks: Phonics Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	1
Additional reading sessions targeted at disadvantaged pupils who require further reading support.	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one: One to one tuition EEF (educationendow-mentfoundation.org.uk) And in small groups: Small group tuition Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	2
Additional writing sessions targeted at disadvantaged pupils who require further writing support.	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one: One to one tuition EEF (educationendow-mentfoundation.org.uk) And in small groups: Small group tuition Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	3
Use of NELI to improve vocabulary skills for disadvantaged pupils who have relatively low spoken language skills.	Oral language interventions can have a positive impact on pupils' language skills. Approaches that focus on speaking, listening and a combination of the two show positive impacts on attainment:	4





	Oral language interventions EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	
Additional maths sessions targeted at disadvantaged pupils who require further maths support.	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one:	5, 6
	One to one tuition EEF (educationendow-mentfoundation.org.uk)	
	And in small groups: Small group tuition Toolkit Strand	
	Education Endowment Foundation EEF	

Tier 3: Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing)

Budgeted cost: £15185

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Whole staff training on behaviour management and anti-bullying approaches with the aim of developing our school ethos and improving behaviour across school.	Both targeted interventions and universal approaches can have positive overall effects: Behaviour interventions EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	5
Embedding principles of good practice set out in the DfE's Improving School Attendance advice.	The DfE guidance has been informed by engagement with schools that have significantly reduced levels of absence and persistent absence.	6
This will involve training and release time for a named staff member to develop and implement new procedures to improve attendance and to work with the LA as part of the attendance data trial with the School Attendance Support Officer – Matthew Souster		
To improve the quality of social and emotional (SEL) learning. SEL approaches will be embedded into routine educational practices and supported by professional development and training for staff – including Senior Mental Health Lead qualification.	There is extensive evidence associating childhood social and emotional skills with improved outcomes at school and in later life (e.g., improved academic performance, attitudes, behaviour and relationships with peers): EEF_Social_and_Emotional_Learning.pdf(ed_ucationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	7/8





To continue to support disadvantaged pupils with barriers to learning due to multiple vulnerabilities through the expanded intervention support including Nurture group, meet and greet, parental support and academic interventions.(Pastoral Lead)

PP children have displayed emotional demands in coming to school and aspects of learning, impacting on their ability to progress.

Total budgeted cost: £57679





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 2021 to 2022 academic year.

The end of KS2 National assessments (2022) indicate that the performance of disadvantaged pupils was lower than those non-disadvantaged pupils in key areas of the curriculum. However, 43% of disadvantaged pupil were 'disapplied' and did not take these assessments due to the complexity of their special educational needs. Of the remaining pupils who took the assessments – 75% reached age related expectations with 50% being scored at greater depth and one pupil having a scaled score of 99.

Our assessment of the reasons for these outcomes points primarily to continued Covid-19 impact, which disrupted all our subject areas to varying degrees and significantly delayed external support for pupils with SEND. As evidenced in schools across the country, school closure was most detrimental to our disadvantaged pupils, and they were not able to benefit from our pupil premium funded improvements to teaching and targeted interventions to the degree we had intended.

The end of KS1 National Assessments (2022) indicate that the performance of disadvantaged pupils was in line with or exceeded that of non-disadvantaged pupils with 100% of disadvantaged pupils achieved the expected academic outcomes.

Our assessments and observations indicated that pupil behaviour, wellbeing and mental health were significantly impacted, primarily due to the ongoing impact of COVID-19-related issues. The impact was particularly acute for disadvantaged pupils. We used pupil premium funding to provide wellbeing support for all pupils, access to trips and focused activities (such as music- dependent on the voice of the child) and targeted interventions where required. We will continue to build on that approach with the activities detailed in this plan.