

Durley CE (Controlled) Primary School

PUPIL PREMIUM 2015-2016

What is Pupil Premium?

Pupil Premium was introduced by the Department for Education (DfE) in 2011, as additional funding for pupils who receive Free School Meals and who are Looked After Children. This is because the DfE have recognised that good education is the key to improving young people's life chances. This is particularly true for children from low-income families, or who are Looked After Children, who are far less likely to leave schools with good GCSE results than other children. The Pupil Premium, using additional resources from outside the School's Budget, is intended to address the current inequalities by ensuring that funding reaches the pupils who need it most.

The Pupil Premium has also been introduced for children whose parents are currently serving in the armed forces. This service premium is designed to address the emotional and social well-being of these pupils.

Funding for Pupil Premium for 2015-16, reflects how the money is used for different categories of children. This funding will continue into the 2016-2017 financial year. £1320 is allocated to each child who receives Free School Meals or who is classified as a 'Looked After Child'. £300 is allocated for each child whose parent is currently serving the armed forces. The school received a total of £9 380 in the 2015-2016 financial year. Funding of £1900 per pupil is also provided for any pupil who has previously been in the care of the local authority. The DfE have agreed that it is for schools to decide how the Pupil Premium is spent, since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils within their responsibility. However, future Ofsted Inspections will focus on use of Pupil Premium and how effectively schools are using this additional money.

Is your child entitled to Pupil Premium Funding?

We encourage all parents and carers to ensure that staff at our school know whether their child is entitled to Pupil Premium Funding or has a parent who is a member of the armed services.

Parents can register their child for Pupil Premium Funding if they are in receipt of any of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs, that does not exceed £16,190
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

More information about Pupil Premium can be found on the DfE website at:

<http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/pupilsupport/premium/b0076063/pp>

Pupil Premium at Durley Primary School

At Durley Primary School, we believe in 'Achievement by All' and have always strived to ensure that all children make good progress. Our pastoral care and rigorous monitoring and tracking of all pupils helps us to identify any pupils who are at risk of not making sufficient progress and have helped us to plan and implement good intervention strategies.

The profile of our school shows that 4% (5 pupils) of pupils were eligible for Pupil Premium funding in 2015-16, as follows:

- 3.3% (4) of pupils in the school who have received free school meals over the past six years (£5280)
- 0.8% (1) pupil in the school who was from service families.

We also have 1.5% (2) pupils who have funding for previously having been in care. (£3 800)

“Schools, Headteachers and teachers will decide how to use the Pupil Premium allocation, as they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for individual pupils.”

Source DfE website

Below is a summary of the range of activities and interventions that the Pupil Premium has funded. This includes some new and discrete activities and interventions that we have always employed that are known to support pupil progress and attainment. Some intervention strategies use the expertise of our Teaching Assistants (TAs), many of whom have had specialist training.

These include:

- Additional Teaching Assistant time for 1:1 support or additional support as part of a smaller group
- Small group support for specific areas including spelling, handwriting, reading
- Teacher led booster group for reading, and maths (Wave 2 support)
- Emotional Literacy Support (ELSA). The ELSA work involves pupils understanding and coping with the feelings of themselves and others, as well as developing high self-esteem. Money has been spent this year to improve transition from class to class and from Year 6 to Year 7 for pupils. This includes additional visits to feeder schools with Teaching Assistant support and time for class observations during the summer term for vulnerable pupils due to change classes.

In addition to this, some of the children who are eligible for Pupil Premium, have also been identified as working below age-related expectations in literacy and/or maths and have had short-term individualised intensive intervention to accelerate progress

What has the Impact of Pupil Premium been at Durley Primary School?

The impact of our provision for 2015-16 shows that:

- The pupil from a Service Family is exceeding their expected rate of progress
- All 4 pupils who receive Free School Meals achieved an outstanding rate of progress in English and mathematics
- The 2 pupils who received funding for having previously been in care made the expected rate of progress although are still achieving below age related expectation.
- Evidence from our annual Parental Questionnaire showed that:
95% of parents either agreed or strongly agreed that their child feels happy at our school
- 92% of parents either agreed or strongly agreed that their child feels safe at our school

- 100% of parents either agreed or strongly agreed that their child is making good progress at our school

Many parents also commented very favourably about the induction process for their child and about the strong caring ethos in place at our school

What are the plans for the 2016-17 Pupil Premium?

Our School Improvement Planning for Durley Primary School includes clear systems to ensure that any additional funding will impact on children entitled to getting Pupil Premium. This includes good tracking of pupils and the evaluation of additional intervention strategies that are subsequently put in place. As a parent or carer of a child who is entitled to Pupil Premium, Parents' Evenings will provide a good opportunity to review children's progress and the intervention strategies that have been used.

- Autumn Term Daily support to enhance and reinforce work taught in literacy and numeracy during class sessions by a teaching assistant.
- Booster sessions to encourage pupil premium children to achieve the age related expectations in literacy and mathematics.