



Pupil Premium Policy Deanshanger Primary School

Overview

Pupil Premium is money which is paid by the Government to Deanshanger Primary school to support groups of pupils with their learning and provide access to a breadth of opportunities. The funding was introduced in April 2011 and paid by means of a specific grant based on school census figures for pupils.

Pupil Premium is calculated by the number of children considered 'disadvantaged' at the school in addition to requested funding for looked after children (LAC) who attend the school; this is calculated using the Children Looked After data returns (SSDA903). There is also a premium 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.

Children receiving Pupil Premium funding may or may not be eligible for free school meals, whilst those receiving free school meals (outside the universal free school meal programme) may or may not qualify for the additional Pupil Premium funding. It is a graduated system administered outside the school setting. Funding is transferred to school in two lump sums each year.

Objectives of PPG provision

We are aspirational for every child at our school and seek to develop every child so that their success is based on the very best for every child; we want to ensure that there are no barriers to success and upper limits placed on achievement. We want all learners to know that there is always another step ahead – this could be moving towards expected levels for the year group or exceeding year group expectations; accelerated progress is our aim. For this reason, the Pupil Premium Grant (PPG) is allocated in different ways for all children.

As in all funding, Deanshanger Primary School is accountable for the manner in which this additional Pupil Premium funding is used to support equality of opportunity and provide an individualised and rich variety of opportunities for the students that receive it. Pupil Premium funding represents a significant proportion of our budget and we are committed to ensuring it is spent to maximum effect. The breakdown of the budget is clearly outlined on our school website – www.deanshangerprimary.co.uk along with the impact of the funding.

For each child that is deemed disadvantaged through income, LAC or because parents are serving in the armed forces, we identify areas in which they would benefit from additional support and monitor progress accordingly. Support is very much based on the needs of each child and thus funding is distributed in a variety of ways. The starting point for this is the school's created 'Single Central Record' for pupil premium.

Core Values

- Pupil Premium will be clearly identifiable within the budget;
- The Head teacher, in consultation with the governors, senior leadership, staff, SENCo, and parents will decide how the Pupil Premium is spent for the benefit of entitled pupils;
- The school will assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils;

- The school will be accountable for how it has used the additional funding to support the achievement of those pupils covered by the Pupil Premium and the Head teacher will report to the governing body and parents on how effective the intervention has been in achieving its aims;
- The school produces a voucher for families to access a portion of the PPG funding each financial year, to choose how they wish to use it to enrich and support school life. This might be used to purchase new uniform, books, school trips, WRAP club (before and after school care) and school clubs;
- We will ensure that parents / carers, governors and others are made fully aware of the attainment of pupils covered by the Premium;
- We will seek to further develop strategies and interventions which can improve the progress and attainment of pupils;
- We will track the impact of the strategies put into place through the funding to ensure that we can show the value that has been added to the education of the entitled children;
- We will monitor evaluate and review the success of the impact of the pupil premium funding;
- Parents / carers will be actively involved in the allocation of some of the funds received for their child; they are best matched to recognise how additional funding can support their individual family situation.

Evaluating

The Head teacher works with SLT, SENCo, parent / carer and the Business Manager to discuss the use and impact of PPG funding on a regular basis and in depth after internal data captures.

PPG support was reviewed and amended in January 2018 in line with an internal review audit.

The lead governor for Pupil Premium - Mrs Michelle Fernandez, regularly meets with the Head teacher to evaluate impact and enrichment opportunities.

Data for Pupil Premium learners is separated for analyse by SLT, staff and governors.