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Pupil Premium Strategy 2017/2018.

Our school receives additional funding for children who are (or have been) entitled to free school meals (not including universal free school meals for infants) or for children in care or for those who have been adopted from care.

We currently receive around £27,000 to support these children.

The children who are eligible have many reasons for their circumstances and they exhibit a range of abilities. We believe all children should achieve their potential regardless of individual circumstances and will seek to provide and promote additional opportunities to challenge, support and enable maximum progress irrespective of starting points in learning.

The main barriers to learning for our group include lesser opportunity and experiences in learning and possibly less time and ability to develop language skills and reading at home. Confidence in ability and lower expectation of self can also be a factor. Although attendance is good for our children it is slightly lower than that of the whole school.

We spend our pupil premium money in many ways with each individual considered for their needs, strengths and weaknesses. The types of support we finance include:

Free places at breakfast and after school clubs

Free lessons to learn a musical instrument

Personal resources and equipment

Free places on trips and additional activities such as sports clubs

Additional adult support for enabling greater progress in reading

Additional adult support within classrooms to support learning

ICT equipment and resources to support learning

In addition to the above which will be focussed and targeted according to individual need we also provide two mini-buses to enable extended learning opportunities within and beyond the school day and we use some of our pupil premium funding to pay for some of the operational costs.

The impact of our pupil premium funding is measured by looking at the wellbeing and engagement of the children, the progress they make in their learning and by looking at the numbers achieving their age expected standards at the end of the school year. We focus on the first two measures in our regular pupil progress meetings and have tests planned through the year to check on age expected attainment. We aim for all of our pupil premium children to achieve the expected standard and where this is not the case we will look once again at the provisions being made for the individual concerned.

To ensure that Pupil Premium children are closer in line with their peers for age-related expectation, we will fund assessment materials for working memory and also for Boxall Profiling. This will enable us to further identify the barriers to learning and to implement strategies quickly.

We will continue to offer music lessons as the feedback on wellbeing from the children is positive. They enjoy taking part in the lessons and in the concerts and appear to thrive on the additional focused attention they receive.

To ensure Pupil Premium children are reading widely, we will work closely with the library to ensure that a wider range of reading material is accessible and , from talking to the children, we need to invest in books which are challenging and allow decision making to take place.

This pupil premium strategy is monitored by the governing body of the school and reviewed in the autumn term. The next review will take place in the autumn term of 2018.