



What is Pupil Premium?

The government introduced the Pupil Premium in April 2011. It is a sum of money allocated to schools based on the number of pupils who are registered for Free School Meals (FSM) or have been registered for them at any point in the last six years. They are also referred to as Ever 6 children.

Schools also receive the funding for pupils who have been looked after by someone other than the parent continuously for more than six months (Looked After pupils), and pupils who are children of service personnel in HM Forces.

Pupils on FSM may suffer some educational disadvantages compared to other pupils. This may be simply because their parents may not be in a financial position to offer them the same support and resources, such as educational trips or access to a computer at home. The average achievement of FSM pupils is lower than the overall average, both nationally and locally.

The aim of the Pupil Premium is to ensure that funding is used for Ever 6 pupils because they need it most. Schools are free to decide how to use the funding as they know their own pupils well and know what extra help they need. However, the government expects the school to be open about how it is using the funding, reporting every year to parents.

When Ofsted inspects the school, it also looks particularly at how Ever 6 pupils are doing. Performance tables include information about their achievement, among other groups.

This report looks back at how we spent the funding in the academic year September 2013- July 2014 and how we plan to spend it in September 2014 - July 2015. We will publish a new report every year.

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Pupil Premium funding for 2013-2014

The allocation for Pupil Premium was £900 per pupil this year. Our allocation for Pupil Premium was £53,100.

	Allocation of Funding	£
Teaching Assistants to deliver specific interventions and support.		36,581
Further reading resources including ICT software e.g. Clicker 6		2,000
Extended number of ICT licences for small group work e.g. Lexia		3,000
Additional teaching resources		7,786
Further Teaching Assistant training		500
Lunchtime Nurture Group		2,733
After School Clubs		500
Total		<u>£53,100</u>

The impact

Careful targeting of the pupil premium allocation has closed the attainment gap in some year groups and in most year groups it has significantly reduced any gaps. Over a three year trend it is evident that where there is a gap it has reduced year on year.

Analysis shows that our FSM/Ever 6 pupils are performing close to, at or above national expectation for all children.

We are tracking every FSM/Ever 6 pupil and the individual support they have received, this will help us to identify which types of support have had the most impact for each pupil.

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Pupil Premium funding for 2014 -2015

The allocation for Pupil Premium has risen to £1,300 per pupil this year. Therefore, our anticipated allocation for Pupil Premium is £70,850

	Allocation of Funding	£
Teaching Assistants to deliver specific interventions and support.		40,000
Reading resources		2,000
Lexia subscription		2,000
Extended number of ICT resources		3,000
Additional Teaching resources		15,450
Nurture/mentoring Provision		3,000
After School Clubs & Enrichment activities		5,000
Total		<u>£70, 850</u>