

Pupil Premium Strategy Statement

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2023 to 2024 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	St Maxentius C.E. Primary School
Number of pupils in school	183
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	14%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers	2023-2024
Date this statement was published	November 2023
Date on which it will be reviewed	July 2024
Statement authorised by	Mrs Lisa Cousen
Pupil premium lead	Mrs Lisa Cousen
Governor lead	Mrs Joanna Haslam

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	29,100
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	0
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	0
Recovery premium funding carried forward from previous year	0
Total budget for this academic year	29, 100



Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

We aim to use pupil premium funding to sustain positive outcomes for our disadvantaged pupils. We hope to narrow the gap between outcomes for disadvantage pupils when compared to their peers, particularly in terms of :

- Academic attainment
- Aspirations & progression to further education
- Social opportunities

At the heart of our approach is high quality teaching and learning. Targeted support based upon detailed diagnostic assessments of need will help children to access a broad and balanced curriculum. Our strategy is integral to wider school plans for educational and includes the engagement with specialist agencies, for all pupils including those that are disadvantaged. We also consider where a broader provision of service may be needed to support children's personal and social development. Our strategy is driven by the needs and strengths of each individual child to ensure we offer them the relevant knowledge, skills and experiences to achieve their full potential.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge	
1	Pupils reading fluency: pupils need improved speed and accuracy in reading.	
2	Pupils' need to develop their comprehension skills with a particular focus on retrieval, inference and summarising.	
3	Pupils need to further develop their creative writing including vocabulary work and spelling.	
4	Lower levels of Physical Development / fine and gross motor, evident for pupils within EYFS - negative impact on Writing	



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.

Challenge Number	Intended outcome	Success criteria	Evaluation
1	Maintain phonic attainment leading to improved outcomes for pupils in reading.	Phonic screening check results above the National 79% or inline with previous year 90%	
	Pathways to reading implemented successfully and used consistently across school having a positive impact on reading fluency.	Increased numbers of children achieving the expected standard in Reading : KS1 National 68%	
	Multi- Dimensional Fluency rubric shows increased scores.	KS2 National 73%	
1 and 2	Increase proportions of pupils reaching expected standard in reading attainment by the end of Key Stage 1 & 2.	KS1 National 68% KS2 National 73%	
1 and 2	Increase in scaled score in reading at the end of key stage 2.	National 105.1	
3	Improved spelling results in weekly tests. Spelling Shed used regularly.	Increased number of words achieved in spelling tests. Spelling Shed used regularly.	
3 and 4	Increase proportions of pupils reaching expected standard in writing attainment by the end of EYFS and Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2.	EYFS GLD : 67% KS1 National 60% KS2 National 71%	



Activity in this academic year (2023-24)

This details how we intend to spend our pupil premium (and recovery premium funding) this academic year to address the challenges listed above.

Teaching

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
EYFS lead to access consultancy support from leader of an outstanding EYFS department.	"Every child deserves the best possible start in life and the support that enables them to fulfil their potential. Children develop quickly in the early years and a child's experiences between birth and age five have a major impact on their future life chances. A secure, safe and happy childhood is important in its own right. Good parenting and high-quality early learning together provide the foundation children need to make the most of their abilities and talents as they grow up" Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage, March 2021, DfE. https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/at-tachment_data/file/974907/EYFS_frameworkMarch_2021.pdf	
Additional staffing: teaching assistants delivering intervention to rapidly improve rates of progress.	EEF toolkit identifies that teaching assistant interventions provides moderate impact (+4 months) for moderate costs. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learn-ing-toolkit/teaching-assistant-interventions	
Use of PiXL diagnostic tool to ensure accurate assessments and high-quality therapies to address gaps in learning in Reading.	Pixl ensures standardised assessments and the use of question level analysis allow teachers to address gaps precisely. Following assessment small group intervention can take place. The EEF toolkit identifies that small group tuition can have moderate impact for moderate costs (+4 months) https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/small-group-tuition	



Targeted academic support

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Resources purchased to raise attainment in core subjects to be used in small group booster sessions Validated scheme Little Wandle	The EEF toolkit identifies that small group tuition can have moderate impact for moderate costs (+4 months) https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/small-group-tuition EEF toolkit states that interventions focussed on reading comprehension have	
implemented: pupils to receive daily high-quality teaching and small group reading sessions. Annual subscription and further resources to be purchased.	very high impact (+6 months) for very low cost. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/reading-comprehension-strategies	
Site licences purchased for Learn by Question (LBQ). This is a resource which allows pupils to receive immediate and precise feedback to improve their progress.	Research from EEF evidences that feedback has very high impact (+6 months). https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/feedback	
Times Tables RockStars purchased for the whole school. Pupils to access the online platform at home to support them with their mathematical fluency skills.	TT RockStars states: "The most recent speed data on more than 327,000 children shows that on average, students are 38% faster at answering times tables questions after using Times Tables Rock Stars than when they started using it". https://shinetrust.org.uk/case-study/times-tables-rock-stars/	
Spelling Shed purchased for the whole school. Pupils to access the platform in school and at home to support spelling.	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/guidance-for-teachers/literacy EEF: Improving Literacy in KS2: Support pupils to develop fluent reading capabilities + 6 months	



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Purchase Pathways to Reading for whole class Reading sessions. Financial investment for books.	EEF: Improving Literacy in KS2: Support pupils to develop fluent reading capabilities https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/guidance-for-teachers/literacy	
	EEF: KS1 Reading Comprehension Strategies: + 6 months https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/reading-comprehension-strategies Very high impact for low cost + 6 months	
Purchase Tales Toolkit for EYFS to support writing- annual subscription.		
	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/guidance-for-teachers/literacy	



Wider strategies

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Aspire Behaviour Support	EEF toolkit states that behaviour interventions give moderate impact for moderate costs and can increase progress by 3 months. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/behaviour-interventions	
Bolton Music Service including Wider Opportunities for targeted pupils	EEF toolkit states that arts participation can have a positive impact on academic improvement especially with younger pupils, and in some cases, disadvantaged pupils. It can increase progress by 2 months. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/arts-participation	
Educational Phycologist support	SLA with service to provide strategy advice for children with cognition and learning difficulties, SEMH, behaviour needs, SALT, Physical development.	



Part B: Review of outcomes in the previous academic year: 2022-2023

Pupil premium strategy outcomes

This details the impact that our pupil premium activity had on pupils in the 2022 to 2023 academic year is evident in the documentation for last year. However, an overall evaluation is below:

Intended outcome	Evaluation
Increase in phonic attainment leading to improved outcomes for pupils in reading.	Year 1 National 2023 – 79% Year 1 School 2023 – 90%
Pathways to reading implemented successfully and used consistently across school having a positive impact on reading fluency. Multi- Dimensional Fluency rubric shows increased scores.	End of KS1 National 89% End of KS1 School 100% Children in year 1 and at the end of KS1 at St Maxentius perform better than those nationally.
Increase proportions of pupils reaching expected standard in reading attainment by the end of Key Stage 1 & 2.	KS1 National 2023- 68% KS1 School 2023 -65% inline KS2 National 2023- 73% KS2 School 2023 – 82% above
Decrease in rates of persistent absence for pupils. Clear systems and procedures in place for attendance monitoring	Persistent Absence rate 5.7%
Improved spelling results in weekly tests. Spelling Shed used regularly.	Decrease in rates of persistent absence for pupils. Clear systems and procedures in place for attendance monitoring
Increase proportions of pupils reaching expected standard in writing attainment by the end of EYFS and Key Stage 1 & 2.	National GLD 67% School GLD 77% KS1 National Writing 60% KS1 School Writing 62% KS2 National Writing 71%



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	KS2 School Writing 82%	
Increase in scaled score in reading at the end of key stage 2.	National 2023 Reading scaled score 105.1	
	School 2023 Reading scaled score 105.1	
Increase proportions of children reaching the expected standard in Mathematics in KS1 & KS2.	KS1 Maths National – 70%	
	KS1 Maths School – 69%	
	KS2 Maths National -73%	
	KS2 Maths School – 82%	

Externally provided programmes

Programme	Provider
PiXL	The PiXL Club
Learning by Question	Bolton ICT
TT RockStars	Maths Circle
Behaviour support	Aspire
Music service	Bolton Music Service