

Pupil Premium Spending 2020.21

Summary Information			
Total number of pupils in the school	366	No. of pupils eligible for PP funding	69 PP Pupils + 8 Service Child Premium
Total PP budget	£102,010		

Strategy Statement
<p>We believe that high quality teaching and careful planning can have a huge impact on outcomes for disadvantaged pupils. We have taken an evidence-informed approach when planning our PP strategy by listening to how other schools have faced the challenges of closing the gap and as a result of training from the EEF. When making decisions on spending, we use the EEF’s Teaching and Learning Toolkit to analyse the cost, evidence strength and the overall impact of every intervention. We have taken the decision to use PP funding to improve teaching for all pupils through staff training in metacognition and self-regulated learning including setting high expectations, understanding pupils’ starting points, providing the right level of challenge and providing effective feedback.</p> <p>Analysis of data shows that Pastoral Interventions such as pastoral support staff, nurture room, support from ELSA trained teaching assistants and inclusion workers all have a positive impact on children’s ability to access the curriculum through improved resilience and positive mental health. Interventions such as Catch Up Maths and Third Space Learning have some short term impact. In addition, the school has provided opportunities for disadvantaged pupils through the co-curriculum such as music lessons, school trips and residential activities.</p>

Barriers to Learning

At St. Mary's school, we view barriers to learning as something we can overcome. Often, we are unable to identify a single barrier, as individual needs can be very complex and varied. As a team of staff, we carefully identify the barriers to learning and work together to create personalised plans for the individuals we work with.

How do we identify barriers to learning?

As a school, we use the following tools to identify the barriers to learning and the root causes of underachievement;

- Pupil Progress Meeting – teaching staff and the school leadership team meet on a termly bases to discuss the academic progress of each pupil. All areas of the curriculum are discussed and together we identify barriers to learning and unpick the areas that need improvement.
- Data – we use a wide range of data sources including Cognitive Ability tests (CATs), Single Word Spelling Tests (SWSpT), HeadStart Maths Tests (Arithmetic & Reasoning), New Group Reading Tests (NGRT), Start Reading Tests and teacher assessment to identify areas of development.
- Daily teaching/observations – through daily teaching, marking and discussions with pupils, we are able to identify gaps in knowledge.
- Parents/Carers – During parent consultation evenings or planned review meeting, throughout the year, a barrier can be identified through discussion with class teachers. Often a barrier will become apparent both at home and at school.

Academic Barriers

- Language – often pupils at St Mary's start their formal schooling with limited language and communication skills. Many pupils will not have been exposed to rich and varied language at home and therefore struggle to speak fluently within a classroom environment
- Reading, Writing and Numeracy – pupils will often start school with poor reading, writing and numeracy skills. Pupils may not have been read to at home, been exposed to writing opportunities during play or be able to count in single digits.

We understand that as a school it is important to close the gap between our disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils. A survey from the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) suggest that a child receiving pupil premium funding will start Early Years Foundation Stage 4.3 months on average behind a child who is not receiving the funding.

Emotional Barriers

- Routines – we know that many pupils are lacking structure and routines at home. As a typical school day is structured and pre-determined, many pupils struggle with the pace and structure of the school day
- Home life – many pupils may have been exposed to neglect and emotional or physical trauma at home
- Resilience - often pupils are lacking in self-confidence and self-worth. As a result of this, a fear of failure develops and pupils do not have the resilience to cope when things go wrong

Intended Outcomes

Our ultimate aim is to ensure that all pupils leaving St Mary are secondary school ready. We know that by the end of primary school a pupil from a typical disadvantaged background will be 9.5 months behind their non-disadvantaged peers if schools do not intervene. Like all schools, we strive to diminish the gap between our disadvantaged pupils and non-disadvantaged pupils and ensure all our pupils are exposed to rich and diverse experiences.

Academic outcomes

- Pupils are achieving the expected standard in reading, writing and maths by the end of KS2
- All children are able to effectively communicate with their peers and have the language skills to express themselves
- Every child is a confident reader, they can comprehend a text and have a passion for reading
- Children can write in a variety of different styles and genres and can use technology to support their learning
- Every pupil is confident to solve mathematical problems, equipping them for later life

Emotional outcomes

- All our pupils have the self-confidence and resilience to try a new experience and embrace failure as a stepping stone to learning
- Our children feel safe at school and know what to do if they don't
- Every child can discuss how they are feeling and know where to find support for them on a daily basis in school

Planned Expenditure for Academic Year					
Action	Intended Outcome	Rationale	Implementation/Cost	Staff lead	Review
Employ a full time member of staff in KS1	Raise the overall standards of Reading, Writing and Maths in Year 2.	<p>Across KS1 there are a number of pupils with additional needs. The schools internal tracking system indicated that a number of pupils would find it challenging to meet the expected standard.</p> <p>Another teacher within KS1 allows two year 1 and two year 2 classes.</p> <p>Without this, classes would be mixed age groups and core subjects would need to be grouped in ability due to the larger class sizes.</p> <p>We know that on average, pupils experiencing setting or streaming make slightly less progress than pupils in mixed ability classes.</p> <p>https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/evidence-summaries/teaching-learning-toolkit/setting-or-streaming/</p>	<p>Advertise a full time position for a year 2 class teacher.</p> <p>Interview and employ an appropriate candidate for the position.</p> <p>Induction process to be completed and support new member of staff through CPD.</p> <p>£42,000</p>	JW DW	<p>Termly pupil progress meetings to analyse data and ensure year 2 classes are closing the gap between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils.</p> <p>Formal observations, learning walks and book looks to ensure high standards of daily teaching.</p>

<p>Raise the standards of reading across the school</p> <p>Effectively monitor and assess children's reading ability</p>	<p>Embed Accelerated Reader within the school Y2-Y6</p> <p>Ensure pupils are reading appropriate books for their ability level.</p>	<p>We are aware that our disadvantaged pupils may not read or be read to at home by an adult and often pupils are not exposed to high quality texts.</p> <p>The Accelerated Reader scheme allows staff to accurately monitor the level a child is reading and provides an opportunity for further comprehension questioning and extended reading skills. Each pupil within the school from year 2-6 can be tracked using an electronic system.</p> <p>The additional funding will be used to purchase extra Accelerated Reader books across both key stages.</p> <p>Staff within the school are using VIPERS comprehension scheme and Accelerated Reader to deliver reading lessons across the school. We know that using comprehension strategies will develop techniques to understand a text.</p> <p>https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/evidence-summaries/teaching-learning-toolkit/reading-comprehension-strategies/</p>	<p>Books to be electronically tagged across the school.</p> <p>Embed Accelerated reader from year 2-6.</p> <p>Allocate new reading books across the school.</p> <p>£6,000</p>	<p>RC TP DW</p>	<p>Senior leadership team to read with pupils from across the school to monitor if they are reading the correct level.</p> <p>English leads to hold pupil and parent voice sessions to monitor effectiveness of the scheme.</p> <p>Monitor reading levels across each year group. Ensure disadvantaged pupils are accessing the correct reading books at home and school.</p>
<p>Ensure consistent high quality lessons</p>	<p>Pupils are given high quality feedback during lessons</p>	<p>In order to close the gap between our disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils, the learning within the classroom will have the biggest impact. When pupils are aware of their own learning journey and have quality feedback, they are able to progress.</p> <p>https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/evidence-summaries/teaching-learning-toolkit/feedback/</p>	<p>Continue staff CPD sessions based on 'Teaching backwards' approach.</p> <p>Identify individual pupils in each class to target support during the year.</p>	<p>JW DW</p>	<p>Half termly staff meeting to provide an opportunity to reflect on daily teaching techniques.</p> <p>Monitor progress and attainment of selected pupils.</p>

<p>Embed pupils understanding of metacognition</p>	<p>Develop learning behaviours of pupils across the school</p>	<p>Through pupil voice and regular monitoring we know that our disadvantaged pupils find it difficult to discuss their learning to their peers and adults. Often they have a negative perception of their own ability and need support to develop self-confidence and take risks in their learning.</p> <p>https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/evidence-summaries/teaching-learning-toolkit/meta-cognition-and-self-regulation/</p>	<p>Teachers further explore pupils understanding of the learning colours.</p> <p>Re-introduce weekly metacognition lessons when appropriate.</p> <p>Promote reflection within the classroom through learning colours.</p>	<p>DW</p>	<p>Pupil voice</p> <p>Are children aware of the 4 learning colours? Do they understand what they are? Can they provide examples of where they have used them within lessons?</p> <p>Book Look</p> <p>Pupils to be reflecting of their learning in a range of different formats.</p>
<p>Continue to train and develop a culture of nurture</p>	<p>To build emotional resilience across the school</p>	<p>Before pupils are able to thrive academically, we understand that their emotional needs must be catered for. Often pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds may encounter physical and emotional stress that must be discussed before they are ready to learn.</p> <p>With our inclusion and pastoral lead and team of staff, our pupils have opportunities to discuss issues in a safe and respectful environment.</p> <p>Through nurture groups and 1:1 support, our pupils are then ready to take part in whole class sessions and access the wider curriculum.</p> <p>https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/evidence-summaries/teaching-learning-toolkit/social-and-emotional-learning/</p>	<p>Pastoral and inclusion lead will continue to support a programme for vulnerable pupils within the school nurture room.</p> <p>Trained ELSA staff to work 1:1 to support children with emotional needs.</p> <p>Purchase online Boxall profile.</p> <p>£52,010</p>	<p>HS DW</p>	<p>Overall improvement of Boxall profiles by the end of targeted intervention.</p> <p>ELSA evaluation by the class teacher shows an improvement in children's attitude toward learning. Pupil voice shows general positive emotional resilience.</p>

Effectively track safeguarding issues of pupils	<p>All staff are confident to track any issues using a secured electronic system.</p> <p>Profile of individuals can be built over time</p>	<p>Within schools, it is vital to track any safeguarding issues for all of our pupils. Often, our children from disadvantaged background may encounter difficulties at home or at school more frequently. We know that keeping accurate record of attendance, medical issues, or conversations that might contribute to a bigger picture will need to be stored in a secure location.</p> <p>https://www.cpoms.co.uk/</p>	<p>Introduce new members of staff to CPOMS</p> <p>Ensure all members of staff are still confident to track safeguarding issues</p> <p>Pastoral and inclusion lead to update members of staff with any key issues</p> <p>£1000</p>	HS JW	<p>Inclusion and pastoral lead to monitor incidences relating to disadvantaged pupils.</p> <p>Inclusion and pastoral lead to use date to liaise with other agencies if appropriate.</p>
Support pupils financially to access wider school initiatives	Disadvantaged pupils have the same opportunities as their peers	Often pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds may start the school day without breakfast. Frequently, basic school uniform is missing and pupils do not have access to extra-curricular clubs and holiday clubs. We believe that our pupils should have the same opportunities as their peers.	Pastoral and inclusion lead to monitor vulnerable families and support where appropriate. £1000	HS	Review the number of children attending after school and breakfast club on a termly basis.