Pupil premium strategy statement – Oakley CE Junior School

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium) 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 outcomes for disadvantaged pupils last academic year.

School overview

Detail	Data
Number of pupils in school	245
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	13.47% (with 33 children on our PP register)
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2023-2024
Date this statement was published	December 2023
Date on which it will be reviewed	December 2024
Statement authorised by	Sarah Hill (Headteacher)
Pupil premium lead	Hannah Shrewsbury (Acting Deputy Headteacher and SENDCo)
Governor / Trustee lead	Claire Rosevear

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£46, 590
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£1123.75
Pupil premium (and recovery premium*) funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
*Recovery premium received in academic year 2021 to 2022 can be carried forward to academic year 2022 to 2023. Recovery premium received in academic year 2022 to 2023 cannot be carried forward to 2023 to 2024.	
Total budget for this academic year	£47,713.75

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

Our ultimate objectives for disadvantaged pupils:

At Oakley CE Junior School, our core Christian values of courage, respect and grace are at the centre of our learning. We want all children who are part of our school to demonstrate active kindness and to be guided by a strong moral compass in all that they do. In addition to this, the aim of our whole school curriculum is to have great expectations for all.

Therefore, our objective for our disadvantaged pupils is no different to any other group of pupils. However, we understand that we must enable our disadvantaged pupils to achieve by giving them equitable access to high quality teaching, opportunities, resources and support in school. As well as providing these essential tools, we are unfailingly positive and ambitious for all pupils to remove any barriers that could result from low self-esteem or expectations. We know it is important to identify what the disadvantaged pupils' barriers are then plan how we can help them to flourish.

How our strategy achieves our ultimate objectives:

In devising our strategy for disadvantaged pupils, we have directly consulted the Education Endowment Foundation's 'Pupil Premium Menu' of evidence-based approaches to improve pupils' educational outcomes as well as our school development plan.

1. High Quality Teaching and Assessment

A high quality teaching and assessment cycle for all pupils responds to pupil needs as they arise. As well as daily assessment for learning and flexible grouping, standardised NFER tests are used to track pupil progress and direct the focus of teaching. Teachers and teaching assistants are kept up to date with pedagogical approaches through training and professional development.

2. High Quality Targeted Academic Support

Quality first teaching is then directly backed up by high quality targeted academic support delivered through interventions and small group tuition. This includes the targeted use of technology to support pupils' learning needs. For disadvantaged pupils, this also includes in-school access to daily reading.

3. High Quality Targeted Support for Social and Emotional Needs

For pupils to get the most out of the learning experiences which school has to offer, they must first be emotionally prepared. Supporting our pupils' social, emotional and behavioural needs is the key to enabling pupils to make academic progress. This is done through ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) sessions and nurture clubs such as 'nurture lunch' and 'games club' to support pupils' social and emotional interactions with peers. It is also achieved through enabling disadvantaged pupils to access extra-curricular activities such as after school clubs and peripatetic music

lessons. Parental engagement and positive home-school communications also help to improve outcomes for disadvantaged pupils.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	On average, pupil premium pupils are behind their peers in knowledge of multiplication tables. The Year 4 multiplication tables checks over the last three years have indicated that pupil premium pupils have a lower average score than non-pupil premium pupils at Oakley Junior School.
	In the 2020-21 academic year, pupil premium pupils' average score was 12 out of 25 compared to the non-pupil premium pupils' average score of 18 out of 25.
	In the 2021-22 academic year, pupil premium pupils' average score was 17 out of 25 compared to the non-pupil premium pupils' average score of 20 out of 25.
	In the 2022-23 academic year, pupil premium pupils' average score was 18 out of 25 compared to the non-pupil premium pupils' average score of 22 out of 25.
	Although the pupil premium average score has improved, the non-pupil premium score has also improved so the gap is still evident. As a school we still need to monitor this and keep up the good practise to continue to maintain and improve this further.
2	Across the school, on average, pupil premium pupils start in Year 3 with a lower Year 1 phonics screen score compared to non-pupil premium pupils.
	In our 2023-2024 year 3 cohort, on average, pupil premium pupils have a score of 33 out of 40 on the Year 1 phonics screen compared to a score of 36 out of 40 on average for non-pupil premium pupils.
	The pass mark is 32 so, on average, pupil premium pupils are only achieving a score just above the pass mark. This suggests that pupil premium pupils are likely to have more gaps in their phonic knowledge than their non-pupil premium peers.
3	A higher proportion of pupil premium pupils have social, emotional and mental health needs than non-pupil premium pupils. More pupil premium pupils have social worker involvement than non-pupil premium pupils. Pupil premium pupils have proportionally higher representation at nurture clubs and Emotional Literacy Support Assistant interventions.
4	27.3% of our pupil premium pupils are also on the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Register (9 pupils) this academic year (2023-2024). According to the Education Endowment Foundation, the attainment gap between pupils with SEND and their peers is twice as big as the gap between pupils eligible for free school meals and their peers. Therefore, the gap for pupils on both the SEND and Pupil Premium registers can be even wider.

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.

Intended outcome	Success criteria
Improve knowledge of the multiplication tables up to 12 x 12 at the end of Year 4 for disadvantaged pupils to narrow the gap between them and their non-disadvantaged peers.	Measurement: -Scores in the Year 4 multiplication check will increase for all pupils and the gap between pupil premium pupils' scores and their non-pupil premium peers will decreaseDisadvantaged group tracker records will evidence the above.
Improve phonic knowledge for disadvantaged pupils to narrow the gap between them and their non-disadvantaged peers.	Measurement: -Regular diagnostic assessment over the course of phonics intervention programmes will evidence rapid progress and sustained improvement in phonic knowledge. -Pupils should progress through reading bands at an increased pace. The children's phonic ability will be matched to their reading books. -Reading fluency will improve which will, in turn, improve comprehension scores in termly NFER assessments. This will also be monitored through the Salford reading assessment toolkit. -Spelling scores in weekly tests and in NFER assessments will improve as a direct result of improved phonic knowledge. This will also be monitored through the Helen Arkell spelling assessment toolkit. -Breadth of vocabulary in writing to increase as a result of improved reading. -Disadvantaged group tracker records will evidence the above.
Improve the social and emotional wellbeing of disadvantaged pupils in order for them to be 'ready to learn' in the classroom.	-'Nurture' interventions to occur on a regular basis for pupils who will benefit. Measurement: -Improved emotional wellbeing to result in improved academic outcomes in diagnostic assessments evidenced in individual pupil trackersReduction in recorded behaviour incidents due to improved social skills and ability to recognise and appropriately act on emotionsMore pupil premium eligible pupils will learn to play instrumentsMore pupil premium eligible pupils will attend extra-curricular after school clubs.

	-Disadvantaged pupils to have equitable access to the 'cultural capital' provided by school trips and residential visits.
Increase attainment and progress for pupil premium pupils who are also on the SEND register.	Measurement: -High quality teaching based on regular and rigorous assessment for learning will improve rates of progress and attainment. To be evidenced in diagnostic assessments and group tracker records. -Good liaison between class teachers and teaching assistants to result in targeted interventions which are mirrored in the class environment and adapted regularly and flexibly based on rigorous assessment for learning. -Disadvantaged group tracker records will
	evidence the above.

Activity in this academic year

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

Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £13,087.35

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
-Maths lead to train teachers through staff inset to utilise and share a wide range of tools and strategies to help pupils learn their times tables in school. Teachers to use strategies suited to different pupil needs. Maths lead to monitor the quality and effectiveness of these strategies across the school and to improve approaches though the year. -As well as our maths	The Education Endowment Foundation's 'Pupil Premium Menu' of approaches states that continuous and sustained professional development is important in developing the practice of teachers in the setting. It says that a balanced approach should include building knowledge, motivating teachers, developing techniques and embedding practice.	1, 4
lead, we now have an LSA times tables lead who is sharing good		

practice with other LSAs and monitoring our Pupil Premium times tables interventionsThe Acting Deputy Headteacher has worked with the Maths lead and HIAS to create our own school teaching of times tables policy. This will enhance the teaching of times tables to ensure the times tables facts are embedded through consolidation opportunities.		
-Maths lead and SENDCo to liaise with parents to teach them different strategies to use with their children for learning times tables in a parent workshop. This workshop it set for the Spring term of 2024.	The Education Endowment Foundation has found strong evidence of parental engagement having a positive impact on pupil progress (up to an extra four months' progress over a year).	1, 4
-Purchase of the Project X Code Phonics Intervention programme to secure rigorous and effective phonics teaching for all pupils who require itPurchase of banded books to match our phonics scheme to ensure phonics is embedded through our reading approach.	The Education Endowment Foundation has found strong evidence that indicates a positive impact of phonics approaches on the accuracy of word reading, particularly for disadvantaged pupils.	2, 4
-Phonics training for all teachers and teaching assistants has been completedRegular meetings with SENDCo, phonics lead and LSA's to monitor the progress of the childrenHeadteacher, Acting Deputy Headteacher/SENDCo, Phonics Lead and English lead to monitor	The Education Endowment Foundation's 'Pupil Premium Menu' of approaches states that continuous and sustained professional development is important in developing the practice of teachers in the setting. It says that a balanced approach should include building knowledge, motivating teachers, developing techniques and embedding practice.	2, 4

the teaching of this programme to ensure fidelity to the scheme.		
-Before new pupils start in Year 3, we are ensuring a detailed handover of pupils' prior phonic knowledge occurs so that intervention can be matched to pupils' needs from the outset. -All children who join us in year 3 are being screened through the Salford assessment tool to indicate any other gaps and barriers. -Further screening/assessments are being completed through the phonics scheme to identify what phonics intervention level they need to start at. This is then carefully monitored and assessed through the phonics interventions.	The Education Endowment Foundation's 'Pupil Premium Menu' recommends targeted interventions to support literacy development and states that interventions must be 'matched to specific needs'.	2, 4

Targeted academic support (for example, tutoring, one-to-one support, structured interventions)

Budgeted cost: £19,004.70

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
-Small group tuition run by a trained practitioner for 30 minutes daily in a six week programme in order to improve reading outcomes for disadvantaged pupils.	The Education Endowment Foundation has found moderate evidence of small group tuition having a positive impact on pupil progress (up to an extra four months' progress over a year). It states that impact is likely to be increased if the tuition is provided by a trained practitioner. The teaching assistant who provides this has received appropriate training in tuition and has previously tutored pupils who made accelerated progress as a result.	2

-Pupils to receive targeted times tables interventions as appropriate including practising for the multiplication check itself.	The Education Endowment Foundation's 'Pupil Premium Menu' recommends targeted interventions to support numeracy development and states that interventions must be 'matched to specific needs'. The EEF also states that targeted deployment where practitioners are trained to deliver an intervention have a higher impact. As teachers are to receive training in times tables teaching strategies, these interventions are likely to have a better impact. The EEF states that targeted interventions can help pupils to make an extra four months' progress over a year.	1, 4
-Pupils to receive targeted phonics interventions where needed using the new phonics programme. Children receive this 4 times a week for a 30 minute session (2 hours per week). 7 children on our Pupil Premium Register are receiving the phonics scheme intervention (Autumn 2023).	The Education Endowment Foundation's 'Pupil Premium Menu' recommends targeted interventions to support literacy development and states that interventions must be 'matched to specific needs'. The EEF also states that targeted deployment where practitioners are trained to deliver an intervention have a higher impact. As all staff have received training for the new phonics programme, these interventions are likely to have a better impact. The EEF states that targeted interventions can help pupils to make an extra four months' progress over a year.	2, 4
-Pupils to read aloud to an adult in school three times a week. This is recorded in their individual reading record.	The Education Endowment Foundation's 'Pupil Premium Menu' recommends targeted interventions to support literacy development and states that interventions must be 'matched to specific needs'.	2
-Homework club run by a qualified teacher for 30 minutes 1x per week. Disadvantaged pupils to be directly invited to attend to support with completion/understanding of homework.	The Education Endowment Foundation states that homework can help pupils to make an extra five months' progress over a year. However, the evidence for this is weak. This could be due to the quality of instruction different pupils receive. Therefore, a dedicated homework club run by trained teachers is likely to have a very positive impact on pupil understanding and progress. It will also scaffold and boost learning in everyday lessons.	4

Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing)

Budgeted cost: £30,544.60

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
-Nurture Lunch with the Headteacher and Acting Deputy Headteacher/SENDCo to improve social interaction skills. Nurture Lunch (30 minutes 3x per week)	The Education Endowment Foundation states that 'social and emotional learning is especially important for children from disadvantaged backgrounds and other vulnerable groups, who, on average, have weaker social and emotional learning skills at all ages than their better-off classmates.' The EEF also states that effective social and emotional learning can lead to pupils making an extra four months' progress over the course of a year.	3, 4
-Games Club sessions for lower and upper school pupils with a dedicated teaching assistant to improve turn taking and social interaction skills. Games Club (30 minutes 2x per week)	The Education Endowment Foundation states that 'social and emotional learning is especially important for children from disadvantaged backgrounds and other vulnerable groups, who, on average, have weaker social and emotional learning skills at all ages than their better-off classmates.' The EEF also states that effective social and emotional learning can lead to pupils making an extra four months' progress over the course of a year.	3, 4
-Explorers Club run by the school's two ELSA's to boost pupil self- esteem and to recognise emotions. Explorers Club (30 minutes 1x per week)	The Education Endowment Foundation states that 'social and emotional learning is especially important for children from disadvantaged backgrounds and other vulnerable groups, who, on average, have weaker social and emotional learning skills at all ages than their better-off classmates.' The EEF also states that effective social and emotional learning can lead to pupils making an extra four months' progress over the course of a year.	3, 4
-Wellbeing Club run by our local church youth worker to provide relaxation and a safe space to talk. Wellbeing Club (2x 45 minute sessions 1x per week)	The Education Endowment Foundation states that 'social and emotional learning is especially important for children from disadvantaged backgrounds and other vulnerable groups, who, on average, have weaker social and emotional learning skills at all ages than their better-off classmates.'	3

	The EEF also states that effective social and emotional learning can lead to pupils making an extra four months' progress over the course of a year.	
-Lego Therapy sessions run by a trained teaching assistant to improve social communication. Lego Therapy (45 minutes 1x per week)	The Education Endowment Foundation states that 'social and emotional learning is especially important for children from disadvantaged backgrounds and other vulnerable groups, who, on average, have weaker social and emotional learning skills at all ages than their better-off classmates.' The EEF also states that effective social and emotional learning can lead to pupils making an extra four months' progress over the course of a year.	3, 4
-One to one ELSA support programmes for pupils to work through specific targets in an eight-week intervention. One to One ELSA Sessions (40 minutes per week for 8 weeks)	The Education Endowment Foundation states that 'social and emotional learning is especially important for children from disadvantaged backgrounds and other vulnerable groups, who, on average, have weaker social and emotional learning skills at all ages than their better-off classmates.' The EEF also states that effective social and emotional learning can lead to pupils making an extra four months' progress over the course of a year.	3
-Termly 'Prayer Space' run by local members of the church community to give pupils time for personal reflection and a sense of responsibility for and connection with the wider community. Prayer Space Week (One week per term)	The Education Endowment Foundation states that 'social and emotional learning is especially important for children from disadvantaged backgrounds and other vulnerable groups, who, on average, have weaker social and emotional learning skills at all ages than their better-off classmates.' The EEF also states that effective social and emotional learning can lead to pupils making an extra four months' progress over the course of a year.	3
-Use of the 'Colour Spot' approach as a whole school scheme for recognising and coping with different emotions.	The Education Endowment Foundation's Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools Guidance recommends reinforcing social and emotional learning skills through a whole school ethos. The colour spot approach links to and builds on our core Christian values of Courage, Respect and Grace.	3, 4
-For pupils who need behavioural support and regulation, a one-to one review at the end of each school day with a	The Education Endowment Foundation's first recommendation in 'Improving Behaviour in Schools' guidance is to 'Know and understand your pupils and their influences'. In this it recommends	3, 4

member of the Senior Leadership Team. For some children, this positive check in is also completed at lunch times to give them chance to regulate their emotions so they are ready for their afternoon learning. This gives pupils one to one time with an adult who understands them as an individual and helps them to relate cause with effect and give them ownership for their choices. Individual SLT Time (15	that every pupil should have a supportive relationship with a member of school staff.	
minutes per day) -Subsidising peripatetic music lessons for pupil premium eligible pupils.	The Education Endowment Foundation's strand on 'Arts Participation' suggested that pupils who receive regular 'arts-based' activities can make up to three months' additional progress over a year.	3, 4
-Inclusive sports clubs run by a sports coach at lunch times to boost social and emotional wellbeing and fitness. Sports clubs run by a sports coach (30 minutes 2x per week)	The Education Endowment Foundation states that 'social and emotional learning is especially important for children from disadvantaged backgrounds and other vulnerable groups, who, on average, have weaker social and emotional learning skills at all ages than their better-off classmates.' The EEF also states that effective social and emotional learning can lead to pupils making an extra four months' progress over the course of a year.	3
-Providing one free extra-curricular after school club for pupil premium eligible pupils.	The Education Endowment Foundation's strand on 'Arts Participation' suggested that pupils who receive regular 'arts-based' activities can make up to three months' additional progress over a year.	3
-Subsidising school trips and residential visits for pupil premium eligible pupils.	The Education Endowment Foundation's strand on 'Arts Participation' suggested that pupils who receive regular 'arts-based' activities can make up to three months' additional progress over a year.	3, 4

Total budgeted cost: £62,636.65

Part B: Review of the previous academic year

Outcomes for disadvantaged pupils from 2022-2023

Qualified teacher and teaching assistant provision enabled focused work on target groups of pupils in and out of daily lessons in order to boost progress.

At Oakley CE Junior School, pupil premium pupils achieve well in relation to national figures.

End of Key Stage 2 2022-23 (Year 6)

In this year group, there were 9 pupil premium children out of a total of 66 children (13.64% of the cohort). Three of these children also had English as an Additional Language. Three of these 9 children were also on the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities register, one of those three had an EHCP.

Test	Non-Pupil Premium at Oakley CE Junior School	Pupil Premium at Oakley CE Junior School	National Average for all pupils
Reading	108	108 (One pupil premium child did not take the reading test due to their EAL being a barrier).	105
SPAG	109	104	105
Maths	107	104	104

Over the course of the tutoring programme, 2 pupil premium children received this for reading and received a scale score of 97 and 101 for their SATs.

Improving emotional wellbeing for pupils and improving communication between school, pupils and parents in turn impacted positively on behaviour and achievement in school (see above statistics).

Social groups and 1:1 support were offered across the school. This had an impact on pupils' progress, well-being, behaviour and achievement (see above statistics). Raised self-esteem and improved social and emotional skills.

Improved social skills in turn impacted positively on self-esteem, behaviour and achievement (see above statistics).

Pupil Premium pupils could attend weekly music lessons of their choice. This enriched the children's educational experiences and skills set and boosted confidence in other areas of learning.

Removal of financial pressure for families and enriching of children's educational experiences.

Children had access to computing applications to complement in-class learning in a variety of subjects and to boost individual progress. (See above statistics).

Children were able to complete their homework independently using the My Maths help tools which helped them to make progress in their learning (see above statistics).

Children could access homework, spellings and catch up learning independently using the home learning platform. This helped them to make progress in their learning (see above statistics).