

The Brow C.P. School Pupil Premium Strategy Statement

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2023-2024 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 |
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| School name | The Brow C.P. School |
| Number of pupils in school | 149 |
| Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils | 56% (83 children) |
| Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended) | 2023-2024 to 2025-2026 |
| Date this statement was published | December 2023 |
| Date on which it will be reviewed | July 2024 |
| Statement authorised by | L. Webb |
| Pupil premium lead | J. Jones |
| Governor / Trustee lead | E. Main |

Funding overview

| Detail | Amount |
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| Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year | £120,765 |
| Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year | £12,035 |
| Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable) | £0 |
| Total budget for this academic year | £132,800 |



Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

As a highly inclusive, community primary school, we strive to ensure that all children, regardless of their age, background or challenges they face, are given every opportunity to make good progress and achieve well across all subject areas. We strongly believe that every child has the potential to succeed and thrive. The focus of our Pupil Premium strategy is to provide effective support to enable disadvantaged children to achieve this goal.

Other vulnerable children, including those who are identified as young carers and those with a social worker, will also be considered for activities outlined in this statement, regardless of whether they are disadvantaged or not, as we recognise the challenges these children also face.

As recommended by the EEF, we take a tiered approach to Pupil Premium spending:

- · High quality teaching
- Targeted academic support
- Wider strategies

Quality first teaching, a nurturing and inclusive ethos, and highly skilled staff are key to our approach in closing the disadvantaged attainment gap, while also benefitting non-disadvantaged children in our school.

Our approach will be responsive to common challenges and individual needs, rooted in robust diagnostic assessment and evidence based strategies, not assumptions about the impact of disadvantage. The approaches we have adopted complement each other to help pupils excel. To ensure they are effective we will:

- ensure disadvantaged pupils are challenged in the work that they're set
- act early to intervene at the point need is identified
- adopt a whole school approach in which all staff take responsibility for disadvantaged pupils' outcomes and raise expectations of what they can achieve
- Support children facing social, emotional, and mental health challenges so that they can access learning.



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

| Challenge number | Detail of challenge |
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| 1 | Speech and Language needs in EYFS extending to KS1. 2023 data shows that the areas of challenge in enabling an increase in the number of children achieving GLD at the end of EYFS are speech, language and communication. This is particularly true for disadvantaged children. Although a higher percentage of disadvantaged children in school achieved GLD compared to school non-disadvantaged (40%/33%), disadvantaged children had the greatest challenges in speaking and listening (50% achieved ELG) and communication (40% achieved ELG). In every other area, school disadvantaged children outperformed non-disadvantaged children. 2023 data: GLD – 36.4% (National – 67.3%) |
| 2 | Comprehension skills not aligned to reading (decoding) skills. Although school Phonics Screening is historically broadly in line with national figures, children's comprehension skills in relation to understanding the text they have read, vocabulary knowledge and inference skills are not in line with Age related expectations. 2023 data: Y1 phonics screening check – 84.6% achieved the expected standard Y2 phonics screening – 95% had achieved the expected standard by the end of KS1. End of KS1 data: Reading ARE – 47.6 % Writing ARE – 38.1% Challenges in understanding what is read has an impact on children's fluency, engagement and enjoyment of reading. |
| 3 | Lack of accuracy in reasoning skills in mathematical problem solving. While mathematical fluency has improved consistently since 2021, internal monitoring shows that children still find problem solving challenging, due to limited reasoning skills. 2023 data: KS1 – Maths ARE = 57.1% (National 70.5%) KS2 – Maths ARE = 40% (National 72.9%) |
| 4 | Attendance gap between PP and non PP children, and 40% of disadvantaged children persistent absentees. Across school, attendance figures for disadvantaged children are significantly lower than non-disadvantaged children. As a group, on average, attendance of disadvantaged children is 5-8% lower than their non-disadvantaged peers. |



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Social, emotional, and mental health needs

Post pandemic greater proportions of children and families have requested emotional wellbeing support than pre-pandemic. As a highly inclusive school we have a higher-than-average proportion of children with SEN (60% across school). 53% of our disadvantaged children also have a special educational need, and of those children, 45% have SEMH needs. The level of need post-pandemic, has continued at a consistent rate, with over 20% of children at school currently open to social care.

Children experiencing high levels of anxiety find learning particularly difficult, which is why we prioritise meeting children's social and emotional mental health needs through the curriculum and additional interventions for individuals. Post pandemic and subsequent observations and feedback have continued to show that some children show a reduced stamina for learning, anxiety about separating from family, a reduction in fine motor skills, particularly in the youngest children, which can lead to a reluctance in recording/completing activities.

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 |
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| EYFS and KS1 children to achieve in line with their peers in the areas of speaking, listening and communication | All children will have a baseline WellComm screening check on entry to EYFS and KS1 which will indicate key areas of need and intervention support to be carried out. Increase in WellComm scores term on term |
| | Increase in the number of children across EYFS achieving ELG for Speaking and Listening, and Communication, which will in turn lead to an increase in children achieving GLD. |
| Children to be able to access all areas of the | Increase in: |
| curriculum as competent readers. | Percentage of children achieving ARE in Reading and Writing at the end of each Key Stage |
| | Percentage of disadvantaged children achieving ARE in Foundation subjects |
| | Reading comprehension assessment scores for disadvantaged children. |
| | Understanding and knowledge of curriculum specific vocabulary for disadvantaged children. |

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| | Reading fluency scores for individual children Proportion of children reading at home and being able to discuss their favourite books/authors Proportion of disadvantaged children achieving the phonics screening check year on year Disadvantaged children and families accessing the school library and extra-curricular activities. Engagement levels across the curriculum due to collaborative learning and the use of metacognition strategies. | |
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| Closed or closing achievement gaps in reading, writing and maths between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged children. | Disadvantaged children performing in line with non-disadvantaged children in school, and the gap between school and national performance narrowing year on year in Reading, Writing and Maths achievement. | |
| Significantly improved attendance for disadvantaged children meaning less missed learning time. | Decrease in the percentage of disadvantaged children who are persistent absentees. Increase in overall attendance for disadvantaged children, narrowing the gap between them and non-disadvantaged children in school and nationally. | |
| Resilient, confident and happy children who enjoy learning and are engaged. | Improved Boxall profile scores for individual children. Improved wellbeing feedback from pupil and parent surveys year on year. Reduction in negative behaviour incidents over time (assessed termly). Positive attitudes to learning evidenced via feedback and observations. Improved attendance | |



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: £30,500

| Activity | Evidence that supports this approach | Challenge number(s) addressed |
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| High Quality Mastery Learning Whole staff CPD on Teaching and Learning throughout the academic year as part of the SDP. This will take place alongside DfE PEIA training. WellComm training and implementation across school. Whole school T & L Training will focus on developing a consistent mastery approach across all curriculum areas combined with effective feedback. Successful implementation is reliant on having adequate staffing across school due to high levels of SEN (60%), so there will be a commitment to one FT TA per class as a minimum. | EEF Teaching Toolkit https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit - Small-group-tuition - Reading Comprehension Strategies - Teaching-assistant-interventions - Oral-language-interventions - Mastery Learning - Feedback - Collaborative Learning Approaches | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. |



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| Collaborative learning developed through 'Narrative through the Curriculum' approach. Whole staff CPD and planning to support implementation. | | |
| No Nonsense Phonics scheme and subscription to Phonics International. All new staff to complete training. Purchase of new phonics scheme workbooks for children and home reading books. | Phonics Phonics | 1, 2, 5. |
| Pathways to Read All staff to complete refresher training as appropriate. New staff to complete year group training with The Literacy Company. Purchase class sets of guided reading books. Purchase Pathways to Spell. White Rose Maths Purchase and use of individual pupil workbooks. Staff to attend subject specific training for their year group. | Mastery-learning Reading Comprehension Strategies | 1, 2, 5. |



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| Oracy | EEF Teaching Toolkit | 1, 2, 3, 5. |
| Whole school focus on oracy as part of teaching and learning strategy. | Oral-language-interventions | |
| Links to Voice 21 strategies. Participation in DfE PEIA EYFS Speech and Language Programme. | https://voice21.org/impact-report-2021 | |
| Use of Widget Online to support learning for SEN. | | |
| Metacognition | EEF Teaching Toolkit | 1, 2, 3, 5. |
| Further training for staff in metacognition — whole school and individual training. Focus on strategies used in teaching and learning, including narrative through the curriculum approaches. SEN CPD for whole staff — supporting inclusion, differentiation and assessment to develop mastery teaching (Zena Martin twilights) | Metacognition-and-self-regulation Mastery-learning | |

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

Budgeted cost: £49,600

| Activity Evidence that supports this approach | Challenge number(s) addressed |
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| Teaching Assistant led Interventions | EEF Teaching Toolkit | 1,2,3,5. |
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| Daily phonics interventions – follow up from teacher led interventions. | Teaching-assistant-interventions | |
| Daily maths and reading pre-teaching and keep up interventions. | Mastery-learning | |
| Daily emotional check- ins for specific children. | | |
| Small intervention groups. | | |
| Progress meetings half termly to review pupil achievement, interventions and impact. | | |
| Intervention trackers implemented across school. | | |

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

Budgeted cost: £51,400

| Activity | Evidence that supports this approach | Challenge number(s) addressed |
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| Family Support Worker Pastoral support for disadvantaged children and their families via 1:1 sessions with children developing their self- regulation skills and attitudes to learning, increasing parental engagement via family learning, supporting families practically (e.g. support to bring children to school, Food Bank | EEF Teaching Toolkit Parental-engagement Self-regulation | 4,5 1,2,3 |
| vouchers, support at meetings, signposting to other agencies, referrals for additional support etc.) | | |



| EEF Toolkit: | 4,5. |
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| Social-and-emotional-learning | 1,2,3. |
| Behaviour-interventions | |
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| EEF Teaching Toolkit | 4. |
| Parental-engagement | 1,2,3. |
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| EEF Toolkit: | 5 |
| Social-and-emotional-learning | 1,2,3. |
| Behaviour-interventions | |
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| | 4, 5. |
| | Social-and-emotional-learning Behaviour-interventions EEF Teaching Toolkit Parental-engagement EEF Toolkit: Social-and-emotional-learning |

Total budgeted cost: £131,500, remaining £1300 contingency can be used in any of the identified areas.



Part B: Review of outcomes in the previous academic year

Pupil premium strategy outcomes

This details the impact that our pupil premium activity had on pupils in the 2022 to 2023 academic year.

In 2022-23 the focus of our Pupil Premium spend was:

- Improving outcomes in reading, writing and maths for disadvantaged children.
- Ensuring disadvantaged children had the same access to enrichment opportunities across the curriculum as non-disadvantaged children.
- Improved attendance for disadvantaged children.

Impact:

1. EYFS:

- School disadvantaged pupils outperformed LA and National disadvantaged pupils in the areas of Reading, Writing and Maths.
- In 2023, there was an increase in the percentage of disadvantaged children achieving GLD from 2022, from 20% to 40%.
- Disadvantaged children also outperformed non-disadvantaged children in school in PSE, Physical, Maths, Understanding the World and Expressive areas of learning.
- School's disadvantaged children did not achieve as well as local or national disadvantaged children in relation to % GLD, but did achieve a higher average number of Early Learning Goals than school nondisadvantaged (13.1 to 10.8) and Local and National disadvantaged (School – 13.1, Local -12.4, National – 12.5)

2. Phonics:

- School disadvantaged children outperformed local, regional and national disadvantaged children in the percentage achieving the expected standard, average points score and the proportion achieving the highest band of marks (37-40).
- There has also been an increase in the number of disadvantaged children in school achieving the expected standard from 2022-2023.



 Across Y1 84.6% of children achieved the phonics screening check standard. 87.5% of disadvantaged children achieved the phonics screening check standard.

3. KS1:

 Increase in disadvantaged children's attainment in all subjects and RWM combined from 2022 to 2023.

4. KS2:

- From 2022-23 there has been an increase in the percentage of disadvantaged children achieving the expected standard in Reading, Writing, Maths, GPS and RWM combined. There has also been an increase in the average scaled scores from 2022-23 in each Reading, Maths and GPS.
- Disadvantaged children made better progress than their local, and national peers in Reading, but not in Writing or Maths.
- In relation to attainment, school disadvantaged children outperformed school non-disadvantaged in Reading at the expected and higher standards, and in GPS at the expected standard. School disadvantaged children performed in line with their national disadvantaged peers in Reading at the expected standard and outperformed local and national disadvantaged children at the higher standards in Reading and Maths.