Pupil Premium Strategy Statement

This statement details Alderman Bolton's use of pupil premium funding (and recovery premium for the 2023 to 2024 academic year) 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	Alderman Bolton Primary School
Number of pupils in school	298 with Nursery
	265 without Nursery
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	112/265 42%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2023-2026
Date this statement was published	November 2023
Updated on	
Date on which it will be reviewed	September 2026
Statement authorised by	Paula Warding
Pupil premium lead	Rachel Oakley
Governor / Trustee lead	Yvette Blake

Funding Overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£197, 888
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£20,000
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£217, 888

Statement of Intent

At Alderman Bolton Primary School, we have high aspirations and ambitions for all of our pupils and we believe that no pupil should be left behind. We are determined that every pupil should be given the chance to realise their full potential, make good progress and achieve in all curricular areas.

The Pupil Premium is an allocation of additional funding provided to schools and is used to support specific groups of children who are vulnerable to possible under achievement. This includes those who are already above age related expectations.

Evidence shows that high quality teaching has the greatest impact on pupil progress and benefits all pupils, not only those considered to be disadvantaged. The premium is provided to enable schools to 'close the gap' in attainment. Overcoming barriers to learning is fundamental towards our use of pupil premium grants (PPG). Barriers include non-academic challenges that pupils may face which affects their education and access to teaching.

The Pupil Premium Strategy supports our plan for education recovery. Plans for this will be based on robust assessment programs and will support children whose education has been worst affected, including non-disadvantaged pupils.

Challenges

The key challenges to achievement that we have identified among our disadvantaged pupils.

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Low level of basic skills on entry – phonics, early reading, writing, maths. This is holding pupils back from attaining and making progress as expected. Also, this is preventing children from engaging fully within the wider curriculum.
2	Speech and language skills for our children when entering nursery and reception are significantly lower for pupils with pupil premium than for other pupils.
3	Pupils have limited experiences beyond their home life and immediate community.
4	Low attendance and persistent absenteeism of pupil premium / disadvantaged children.
5	Pupils with specific emotional needs. (SEMH) Mental health challenges or who are facing difficult circumstances in their life which affect their learning behaviour, attitudes and attendance in school.

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
All disadvantaged pupils will meet national expectations for attendance.	Disadvantaged pupils will match or exceed national attendance averages for non-disadvantaged pupils (95% +)
	Monitoring of attendance by Head of school and welfare officer. This will decrease persistent absences. Supporting families with attendance issues and establishing any issues that can be alleviated.
Increase the % of KS1 pupil premium pupils achieving ARE or above in reading, writing and maths combined.	End of year data will show an increase in the number of PP pupils achieving ARE in R,W,M.
Increase the % of pupil premium pupils achieving greater depth in reading, writing and mathematics by the end of KS1.	End of year data to show that the percentage of pupil premium pupils achieving greater depth combined is in line or above the national average.
Increase the % of pupil premium pupils achieving GLD at the end of EYFS.	End of year data to show that the percentage of pupil premium pupils achieving GLD in EYFS is in line or above national average.
Increase the % of pupil premium pupils achieving greater depth in reading, writing and maths by the end of KS2.	End of year data to show that the percentage of pupil premium pupils achieving greater depth in reading, writing and mathematics is in line or above national average.
Ensure that pupils who have fallen behind are identified quickly and high quality evidence-based interventions are implemented and monitored by PP lead and SLT.	Analysis of interventions will show if accelerated progress is being made and if the intervention is having a positive impact.
Pupils and families with identified social, emotional or health needs are well supported by school staff so that the needs are removed or alleviated.	Learning mentor/welfare officer/SENDCO to identify and support families and children to alleviate barriers to learning.
	Learning mentor to identify children for Lego therapy, play therapy, gardening clubs, Nurture sessions.
	Pupil premium lead to support disadvantaged/vulnerable pupils – regular check ins, providing support / alleviating barriers to learning.
	Pupil and parent questionnaires will show that parents and children of disadvantaged families

	feel supported and additional barriers alleviated where possible.
Pupils have a breath of experiences that enable them to contextualise their learning. School will deliver a rich, engaging, broad and varied curriculum.	The curriculum will be progressive, cumulative and engaging. Children will know more, learn more and do more. Pupil voice and monitoring will show this. External visits/trips/residential will take place to enhance learning and enthuse children to learn across all subjects.
	Children will be exposed to a wide range of social, cultural, enrichment and sporting experiences within and outside of the school day.

Activity in this academic year

This is 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: 50,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Literacy Counts Training – Writing consultants English CPD	The use of high-quality units of work using language-rich vehicle texts from Reception through to Year 6. These enrich the teaching of writing, contextualise spelling, grammar and punctuation and enable children to reach ARE and Greater Depth in writing. Consultancy day- CPD twilight and staff released to engage in training when needed. English lead is released to support and monitor the teaching and learning in English. High quality staff CPD is essential to follow EEF principles. Writing sessions modelled – live lesson taught by consultant and observed by teachers- reduces cognitive load and increase motivation is teachers. Quotes from EEF Effective Profession Development Guidance Report: "Where information is derived from impacts how motivated teachers are to use it. The more credible the source, the more likely they are to change their practice". "Using an expert teacher to promote a particular practice."	1, 2 and 3

First4Maths Academy WPAT moderation Maths CPD	Develops a love and secure understanding of mathematics from EYFS to Y6. First4Maths is tailored to meet the needs of all pupils-it gives small steps to target the key areas of maths pivotal to develop understanding. Support with ongoing and instant CPD for teachers and TAs, planning and teaching for mastery. Staff can use the First4Maths Academy to gain access to CPD on any area of maths they are teaching. Resources can be accessed by all staff from Nursery to Y6. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/guidance-reports/early-maths	1 and 2
Monster Phonics Training	Monster Phonics Program is an advanced multisensory, synthetic approach to teaching phonics. It uses 10 Monster characters to create interest and engagement for children. Studies show a 38% increase in spelling accuracy in 5 weeks and a 23-month improvement in reading age over a 5-month period. All teachers and TA's from EYFS, KS1 and KS2 to be trained on the program. https://monsterphonics.com/stories/emma-garrett-research-dissertation-on-the-impact-of-monster-phonics-on-emergent-literacy-skills-in-young-children-university-of-east-london/	1 and 2
CPD – other subjects Subject lead training	High quality staff CPD is essential to follow EEF principles. This is followed up during Staff meetings and INSET. Subject leads are given release time once per term to lead effectively and ensure regular monitoring of their subject.	1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

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

Budgeted cost: £ 120,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number addressed
Experienced teachers to teach small groups in Upper Key Stage 2	Paired reading and reading comprehension strategies = Moderate cost for very high impact. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education- evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/reading- comprehension-strategies Small group tuition proven to have approximately on average impact of four months additional progress over the course of a year. https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education- evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/small-group-tuition Reducing class size EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	1 and 2
Experienced teacher to Tutor Y2 and lower Key Stage 2 pupils who are working below expected standard. Experience tutor to provide tuition for our PEP children. This includes reading, writing and maths support. X2 hours per week per pupil.	Small group tuition proven to have approximately on average impact of four months additional progress over the course of a year. Small group tuition EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk) EEF state a high impact, moderate cost for 1:1 tuition. https://educationendownmentfoundation.org.uk https://afaeducation.org/free-dt-resources/explore-our-resources/effective-personal-education-plans-peps/	1 and 2
Targeted, structured interventions to		1 and 2

children across the whole school.	Provision of quality first teaching, mastery curriculum and effective challenge for children identified as needing to catch up.	
Interventions to be planned, monitored and evaluated by Deputy Head and SENDCO.	www.gov.uk/publications/the-pupil-premium-how-schoolsarespendingthefundingsuccessfully	

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

Budgeted cost: £40,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
SEMH interventions	Metacognition and self-regulation EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk) Social and emotional learning EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk) The average impact of such interventions and teaching of self-regulation strategies is an additional 7 months over the course of a year. Metacognition can be effective when taught in collaborative groups so that learners can support each other and make their thinking explicit through discussion. Metacognition training for staff. Training on self-regulation strategies and developing children's motivation- willingness to engage and learn.	2, 3 and 5
All children to be provided with the opportunity to participate in activities which enhance and broaden the curriculum and their learning experiences. Each class will offer after school clubs covering a wide variety of activities.	Provision of a range of initiatives to extend children's experiences.	3

Head of school to ensure that parents and carers are made aware of expected attendance levels when they fall below 90%.	Deployment of staff to support families to improve attendance and eradicate persistent absenteeism. Welfare officer to support those families to improve attendance and alleviate barriers to working alongside the school.	
Increased rewards for improving attendance.	www.gov.uk/publications/the-pupil-premium-how-schoolsarespendingthefundingsuccessfully	

Total budgeted cost: £210,000

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 2022-2023 academic year.

Data for 2023

2023	School	National		
EYFS	72	67%		
Pupil Premium (School)	65%	51.6%		
2023	School	National		
Phonics Check	84%%	79%		
Pupil Premium	76%	67%		
Key Stage 1	Reading	Writing	Maths	Combined
All Pupils (School)	76%	76%	76%	76%
National	68%	60%	70%	-
Pupil Premium	65%	65%	65%	65%
(School)				
Key Stage 1	Reading	Writing	Maths	Combined
Greater Depth				
All Pupils (School)	32%	20%	27%	20%
National	19%	8%	16%	-
Pupil Premium (School)	22%	13%	22%	13%
Key Stage 2	Reading	Writing	Maths	Combined
All Pupils (School)	76%	86%	83%	76%
National	73%	72%	73%	59%
Pupil Premium (School)	68%	84%	74%	68%

Key Stage 2	Reading	Writing	Maths	Combined
Greater Depth				
All Pupils (School)	31%	14%	29%	12%
National	28%	13%	23%	8%
Pupil Premium	31%	16%	21%	16%
(School)				

Externally provided programmes

Programme	Provider
Accelerated reader	Renaissance
First4Maths	First4Maths
Read to write	Literacy Counts

Steps to read	
Assessing Primary Writing	No More Marking

Service pupil premium funding: 0%

Measure	Details
How did you spend your service pupil premium allocation last academic year?	N/A
What was the impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils?	N/A