



Pupil Premium Policy

Ratified and adopted on behalf of the Governing body by the

Date Agreed: 22nd May 2017

Chair of Committee_____

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The Pupil Premium was introduced to provide additional support for looked after children and those from low income families. The extra funding is made available to schools to help them narrow the attainment gap that exists between pupils from disadvantaged and more affluent backgrounds.

In 2011-12, schools were allocated Pupil Premium funding for children from low-income families who were eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) or children who had been looked after continuously for more than six months. From April 2012, eligibility for the Pupil Premium was also extended to include children who had been eligible for free school meals at any point in the last six years (known as the Ever 6 Free School Meals measure). A premium has also been introduced for children whose parents are currently serving in the Armed Forces.

Schools are free to spend the Pupil Premium as they see fit. However, they are accountable for how they use the additional funding to support pupils from low-income families and the other target groups of pupils through their data performance evaluations the Ofsted inspection framework, and the reports for parents that schools are required to publish online. From September 2012, schools are required to publish online information about how they have used the Premium and its impact. This will ensure that parents and others are made fully aware of the use of the Premium. Please see 'The Pupil Premium' for annual funding allocations and outcomes.

In addition, Ivy House School can apply for funding for pupils classified as Looked After Children. The amounts can vary depending on whether the child has remained in care for the full six months.

The school has studied the Sutton Trust's toolkit and used this to inform their thinking.

The school is able to demonstrate evidence of impact as a result of the allocation of funding to provide additional support for children from low-income families who were eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) or looked after children.

The above policy has been approved by the Headteacher and Governing Body of Ivy House School as a fair and equitable means of distribution and meets the guidelines laid down by the Education Funding Agency.

The Pupil Premium funding will enable us to maintain and enhance our existing provision for targeted pupils in order to address areas for action and so narrow the gaps that exist between low income families and more affluent backgrounds.

The allocation of Pupil Premium has had a significant impact in improving the attainment of targeted pupils. CASPA (Comparison and Analysis of Special Pupil Attainment) is used to analyse data.

Other relevant documentation:

The Sutton Trust's Toolkit of Strategies to Improve Learning (Durham University)

The Pupil Premium: How schools are spending the funding successfully to maximise achievement (Ofsted)

The Pupil Premium: Making it work in your school (Oxford)

Effective pupil premium reviews (NCTL)2014

Using Pupil Premium to support disadvantaged pupils-School Leadership January 2014

Pakeman Primary School Pupil Premium Policy 2013