

Pupil Premium Policy

What is the Pupil Premium Grant?

The aim of the Pupil Premium Grant is to raise achievement among disadvantaged pupils. The Pupil Premium is allocated to children from low-income families who are currently known to be eligible for Free School Meals, pupils who are looked after or in care and pupils whose parents are in the armed services. It is for schools to decide how the Pupil Premium is spent. However, measures will be included in the performance tables that will capture the achievement of those deprived pupils covered by the Pupil Premium. The Government also require schools to publish online details of how they have used the premium.

How will Pupil Premium Grant be allocated at Aston Hall?

Pupil Premium funding is allocated following a needs analysis which identifies priority classes, groups or individuals. In order to meet the above requirements, we will ensure that provision is made through quality first teaching, additional academic support and social and emotional development which meet the needs of all pupils. Through termly assessments, pupil progress discussions and feedback from pupils and families, pupils will be tracked and provision altered as necessary. Key aims include the following:

- Narrowing the gap or those pupils not on track to achieve age related expectation or who are making limited progress
- Providing early intervention and support to improve 'readiness for learning'
- Provide emotional and social support for disadvantaged pupils
- Develop stronger links with parents of disadvantaged children and offer parental support and development
- Improve attendance of pupils eligible for Pupil Premium
- Extend and provide opportunities for depth of understanding for those children who are working at greater depth

We recognise that not all pupils who receive free school meals will be socially disadvantaged. We also recognise that not all pupils who are socially disadvantaged are registered or qualify for free school meals. The Senior Leadership Team and Governors reserve the right to allocate the Pupil Premium funding to support any pupil or groups of pupils the school has legitimately identified as being socially disadvantaged. Reporting The pupil premium co-ordinator (Stacey O'Daly) is responsible for producing regular reports for senior leadership and governors consisting of the following:

- The progress made towards narrowing the gap, by year group, for socially disadvantaged pupils
- An outline of the provision

- An evaluation of the cost effectiveness, in terms of the progress made by the pupils receiving a particular provision, when compared with other forms of support and any alterations to provision for the coming term.

The Senior Leadership Team and Governors will ensure that a report on how Pupil Premium funding is being spent and its impact is published on the school's website.

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