

# Todwick Primary School Pupil Premium Report

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium 2023 to 2024 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
School name	Todwick Primary
Number of pupils in school	206
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	6.5%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers	2023/24
Date this statement was published	November 2023
Date on which it will be reviewed	November 2024
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Pupil premium lead	Alice Deeley Headteacher
Governor / Trustee lead	Vicky Helliwell

## Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£23975
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	0
<b>Total budget for this academic year</b> If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	£23975

# Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

## Statement of intent

### Context of the School

The number of pupils who are currently pupil premium is 6.5%, well below the national average of 26.7% for primary schools (2020-21). This places us in the lowest 20% of schools nationally for pupils taking up free school meals.

With a School Deprivation Indicator of 0.21 which is lower than the national average of 1.1, the school is placed within the lowest 40% of schools nationally for levels of disadvantage.

Stability is measured at 95.7% which is above the national figure of 85.7%.

2.8% (6 pupils) of the pupils are from homes where English is not the first language, the national average is 19.2% (2021)

12.2% of pupils currently receive SEND support compared with 12.6% in primary schools nationally (2021). There are currently 2 pupils with an Education and Health Care Plan (EHCP) of special educational needs (2 more applications pending).

### Objectives of Pupil Premium Spending

Our key objective in using the PPG is to narrow the gap between pupil groups.

At Todwick Primary School our ethos of attainment includes all pupils. We:

focus on high quality teaching first to meet the needs of all pupils

- focus on outcomes for individual pupils, rather than on providing strategies
- make appropriate provision for pupils who belong to vulnerable groups, this includes ensuring that the needs of socially disadvantaged pupils are adequately assessed and addressed
- recognise that not all pupils who receive free school meals will be socially disadvantaged. We acknowledge that each child has differing needs.
- also recognise that not all pupils who are socially disadvantaged are registered or qualify for free school meals. We 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.
- identify each pupil's barriers, challenges and interests, seeking the best strategies to help each pupil make the next step in their learning. Individual support is provided for specific learning needs and group support for pupils with similar needs.
- allocate pupil premium funding following a needs analysis which will identify priority classes, groups or individuals. Limited resources and differing pupil needs mean that not all children receiving free school meals will be in receipt of pupil premium interventions at one time.

- spend the pupil premium in various ways, including running school breakfast and after-school clubs to improve punctuality and attendance, providing one-to-one support in the classroom, or paying for class visits and extra-curricular activities for pupils when their families cannot afford it.
- we respond quickly to poor attendance or punctuality
- we provide strong social and emotional support

We continue to ensure that additional funding allocated to the school has maximum impact. Careful analysis of internal and external pupil-level data, historical attainment and progress rates is undertaken to ensure that funds are used to maximum effect. Our robust self-evaluation procedures and knowledge of individual pupils guide us in deciding where and how to spend our pupil premium allocation.

- We have also used existing research and publications including those from NFER, OFSTED and the SUTTON TRUST to enable us to make decisions relating to provision.

### **Nature of Pupil Support and Provision**

The 2023-24 focus is on:

- The mental and physical wellbeing of pupils; especially as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic.
- learning support e.g. adult support for 1:1 and small groups
- learning support materials and resources aimed at accelerating learning and providing 'catch up'
- enrichment beyond the curriculum e.g. after school clubs and music lessons
- enabling access to class and residential visits
- Forest Schools - personal, social and emotional support
- Landscape art – wellbeing for all

All our work through the pupil premium is aimed at developing pupil confidence and skills for accelerating progress with the ultimate aim of moving children to at least age related expectations in English and mathematics. We use the funding to invest in academic support and also to facilitate equality of access to social opportunities. We use the PPG to develop pupil well-being, self-confidence, engagement, attendance and towards nurturing a broad range of talent and skills.

We have invested in a range of learning support activities and we have trained additional personnel to implement necessary 1:1 reading interventions. Additional teaching and learning opportunities are provided through trained TAs or external agencies.

We have identified opportunities for children to have an enriched and enhanced experience of enrichment activities including Forest schools and through the funding of school visits. Funding also provides towards music lessons and music books.

The school is committed to funding residential visits 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	Assessments, observations, and discussions with pupils indicate under-developed oral language skills and vocabulary gaps among many disadvantaged pupils. These are evident from Reception through to KS2 and in general, are more prevalent among our disadvantaged pupils than their peers.
2	Assessments, observations, and discussions with pupils suggest disadvantaged pupils generally have greater difficulties with phonics than their peers. This negatively impacts their development as readers.
3	Internal and external (where available) assessments indicate that maths attainment among disadvantaged pupils is significantly below that of non-disadvantaged pupils.  On entry to Reception class in the last 3 years, between 100% of our disadvantaged pupils arrive below age-related expectations compared to 60% of other pupils. This gap closes towards the end of KS2.
4	Our assessments and observations indicate that the education and well-being of some of our disadvantaged pupils have been impacted by partial school closures to a greater extent than for other pupils. These findings are supported by national studies.  This has resulted in significant knowledge gaps leading to pupils falling further behind age-related expectations, especially in KS2 throughout the COVID-19 closures.
5	Our assessments (including wellbeing survey), observations and discussions with pupils and families have identified social and emotional issues for many pupils, notably due to bullying, and a lack of enrichment opportunities during school closure. These challenges particularly affect disadvantaged pupils, including their attainment.
6	Our attendance data over the last 3 years indicates that attendance among disadvantaged pupils has been in line with non-disadvantaged pupils.  Our assessments and observations indicate that absenteeism is not negatively impacting disadvantaged pupils' progress.

## 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
Improved oral language skills and vocabulary among disadvantaged pupils.	Assessments and observations indicate significantly improved oral language among disadvantaged pupils. This is evident when triangulated with other sources of evidence, including engagement in lessons, book scrutiny and ongoing formative assessment.
Improved reading attainment among disadvantaged pupils.	KS2 reading outcomes in 2022-23 show that more than 90% of disadvantaged pupils met the expected standard.
Improved maths attainment for disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS2.	KS2 maths outcomes in 2022-23 show that more than 90% of disadvantaged pupils met the expected standard.
To achieve and sustain improved wellbeing for all pupils in our school, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.	Sustained high levels of wellbeing from 2022-23 demonstrated by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• qualitative data from student voice, student and parent surveys and teacher observations</li> <li>• a significant reduction in bullying</li> <li>• a significant increase in participation in enrichment activities, particularly among disadvantaged pupils</li> </ul>
To achieve and sustain improved attendance for all pupils, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.	Sustained high attendance from 2022-23 demonstrated by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the overall absence rate for all pupils being no more than 90%, with no attendance gap between disadvantaged pupils and their non-disadvantaged peers</li> <li>• the percentage of all pupils who are persistently absent being below 5% and the figure among disadvantaged pupils being no lower than their peers.</li> </ul>

## 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: **£8619**

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
<p>Purchase of standardised diagnostic assessments.</p> <p>Training for staff to ensure assessments are interpreted and administered correctly.</p>	<p>Standardised tests can provide reliable insights into the specific strengths and weaknesses of each pupil to help ensure they receive the correct additional support through interventions or teacher instruction:</p> <p><a href="#">Standardised tests   Assessing and Monitoring Pupil Progress   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF</a></p>	1, 2, 3, 4
<p>Embedding dialogic activities across the school curriculum. These can support pupils to articulate key ideas, consolidate understanding and extend vocabulary.</p> <p>We will purchase resources and fund ongoing teacher training and release time.</p>	<p>There is a strong evidence base that suggests oral language interventions, including dialogic activities such as high-quality classroom discussion, are inexpensive to implement with high impacts on reading:</p> <p><a href="#">Oral language interventions   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF</a></p>	1
<p>Purchase of a <a href="#">DfE validated Systematic Synthetic Phonics programme</a> to secure stronger phonics teaching for all pupils.</p>	<p>Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base that indicates a positive impact on the accuracy of word reading (though not necessarily comprehension), particularly for disadvantaged pupils:</p> <p><a href="#">Phonics   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF</a></p>	2
<p>Enhancement of our maths teaching and curriculum planning in line with DfE and EEF guidance.</p> <p>We will fund teacher release time to embed key elements of guidance in school and to access Maths Hub resources</p>	<p>The DfE non-statutory guidance has been produced in conjunction with the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics, drawing on evidence-based approaches:</p> <p><a href="#">Maths guidance KS 1 and 2.pdf (publishing.service.gov.uk)</a></p>	3

and CPD (including Teaching for Mastery training).	The EEF guidance is based on a range of the best available evidence: <a href="#">Improving Mathematics in Key Stages 2 and 3</a>	
Improve the quality of social and emotional (SEL) learning.  SEL approaches will be embedded into routine educational practices and supported by professional development and training for staff.	There is extensive evidence associating childhood social and emotional skills with improved outcomes at school and in later life (e.g., improved academic performance, attitudes, behaviour and relationships with peers): <a href="#">EEF Social and Emotional Learning.pdf(educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)</a>	5

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

Budgeted cost: **£7020**

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Purchase of a programme to improve listening, narrative and vocabulary skills for disadvantaged pupils who have relatively low spoken language skills.	Oral language interventions can have a positive impact on pupils' language skills. Approaches that focus on speaking, listening and a combination of the two show positive impacts on attainment: <a href="#">Oral language interventions   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)</a>	1, 4
Additional phonics sessions targeted at disadvantaged pupils who require further phonics support. This will be delivered in collaboration with our local English hub.	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base indicating a positive impact on pupils, particularly from disadvantaged backgrounds. Targeted phonics interventions have been shown to be more effective when delivered as regular sessions over a period up to 12 weeks: <a href="#">Phonics   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF</a>	2
Engaging with the National Tutoring Programme to provide a blend of tuition, mentoring and school-led tutoring for pupils	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one:	4

whose education has been most impacted by the pandemic. A significant proportion of the pupils who receive tutoring will be disadvantaged, including those who are high attainers.	<a href="#">One to one tuition   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)</a> And in small groups: <a href="#">Small group tuition   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF</a>	
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## Behaviour and Wellbeing

Budgeted cost: **£7644**

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Whole staff training on behaviour management and anti-bullying approaches with the aim of developing our school ethos and improving behaviour across school.	Both targeted interventions and universal approaches can have positive overall effects: <a href="#">Behaviour interventions   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)</a>	5
Embedding principles of good practice set out in the DfE's <a href="#">Improving School Attendance</a> advice.  This will involve training and release time for staff to develop and implement new procedures and appointing attendance/support officers to improve attendance.	The DfE guidance has been informed by engagement with schools that have significantly reduced levels of absence and persistent absence.	6
Contingency fund for acute issues.	Based on our experiences and those of similar schools to ours, we have identified a need to set a small amount of funding aside to respond quickly to needs that have not yet been identified.	All

**Total budgeted cost: £23,975 (plus £5114 from Delegated budget to facilitate access to educational visits, after school clubs)**



## 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.

Overall attendance in 2022/23 was higher than in the preceding 2 years at 95.2%, it was higher than the national average. At times when all pupils were expected to attend school, absence among disadvantaged pupils was in line with their peers and persistent absence was also in line with peers. These gaps are smaller than in previous years, which is why attendance is not a focus of our current plan.

Our assessments and observations indicated that pupil behaviour, wellbeing and mental health were significantly impacted in the previous 2 years, primarily due to COVID-19-related issues. The impact was particularly acute for disadvantaged pupils. We used pupil premium funding to provide wellbeing support for all pupils, and targeted interventions where required. We are building on that approach with the activities detailed in this plan.

### Externally provided programmes

Programme	Provider
Lunchtime sports club	Kixx
Dance	E Reid Dance Instructor
Cookery	Mrs Gabbitas & Mrs Radford
Art	Mrs Garfitt and Mrs Cocking
After school sports club	Kixx

### Service pupil premium funding (optional)

Measure	Details
How did you spend your service pupil premium allocation last academic year?	No Service premium received

## Further information

### Additional activity

Our pupil premium strategy will be supplemented by additional activity that is not being funded by pupil premium or recovery premium. That will include:

- embedding more effective practice around feedback. [EEF evidence](#) demonstrates this has significant benefits for pupils, particularly disadvantaged pupils.
- utilising a [DfE grant to train a senior mental health lead](#). The training we have selected will focus on the training needs identified through the online tool: to develop our understanding of our pupils' needs, give pupils a voice in how we address wellbeing, and support more effective collaboration with parents.
- offering a wide range of high-quality extracurricular activities to boost wellbeing, behaviour, attendance, and aspiration. Activities will focus on building life skills such as confidence, resilience, and socialising. Disadvantaged pupils will be encouraged and supported to participate.

### Planning, implementation, and evaluation

In planning our new pupil premium strategy, we evaluated why activity undertaken in previous years had not had the degree of impact that we had expected. We also commissioned a pupil premium review to get an external perspective.

We triangulated evidence from multiple sources of data including assessments, engagement in class book scrutiny, conversations with parents, students and teachers in order to identify the challenges faced by disadvantaged pupils. We also used the EEF's families of schools database to view the performance of disadvantaged pupils in schools similar to ours and contacted schools with high-performing disadvantaged pupils to learn from their approach.

We looked at a number of reports, studies and research papers about effective use of pupil premium, the impact of disadvantage on education outcomes and how to address challenges to learning presented by socio-economic disadvantage. We also looked at studies about the impact of the pandemic on disadvantaged pupils.

We used the [EEF's implementation guidance](#) to help us develop our strategy, particularly the 'explore' phase to help us diagnose specific pupil needs and work out which activities and approaches are likely to work in our school. We will continue to use it through the implementation of activities.

We have put a robust evaluation framework in place for the duration of our three-year approach and will adjust our plan over time to secure better outcomes for pupils.