

### **PUPIL PREMIUM STRATEGY STATEMENT**

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2021 to 2022 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
School name	Crookhill Primary School
Number of pupils in school	189
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	37.2%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy	2021-2022
plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2022-2023
	2023-2024
Date this statement was published	December 2021
Date on which it will be reviewed	July 2022
Statement authorised by	Kristine McCormack/Governors
Pupil premium lead	Kristine McCormack
Governor lead	Kelly Murray

## **Funding overview**

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year £95 495	
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£10 585
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£106 080
If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	

### Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

#### Statement of intent

At Crookhill Primary School, our aim is that all pupils achieve the best possible educational and personal outcomes, irrespective of their background or challenges they may face. We want all of our children, including disadvantaged pupils, to become positive, responsible and caring members of society.

High quality teaching, learning and assessment strategies are at the centre of our approach in ensuring good or better outcomes for all pupils. Data analysis, discussions with staff and ongoing monitoring are used to inform the use of pupil premium funding to ensure disadvantaged children receive timely, targeted and effective intervention to support their progress, narrow gaps with peers and address any social and emotional needs. Our strategy is also integral to wider school plans for education recovery.

We recognise that disadvantaged children can face wider barriers which can impact on their educational and personal progress. As part of our strategy, we aim to address these barriers through our curriculum, enrichment activities and partnership work.

#### Our ultimate objectives are:

Remove barriers to learning for disadvantaged pupils

Narrow the attainment gaps between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils in school and nationally

Ensure all pupils, including disadvantaged pupils, can read fluently and have good understanding

Improve oral language skills and vocabulary among disadvantaged pupils

Develop Cultural Capital through a variety of experiences opportunities

Improve attendance and readiness to learn through increased family engagement

## How does your current pupil premium strategy plan work towards achieving those objectives?

All staff have access to high quality CPD

Targeted intervention addresses gaps in learning

All pupils have access to experiences and opportunities to participate in enrichment activities e.g. sports coaching, extra-curricular clubs, music tuition, Forest School, residential, trips

Information and activities to support and engage families

Targeted support to engage hard to reach families

Support for pupils with social and emotional needs

#### What are the key principles of your strategy plan?

High adult to pupil ratio enables staff to implement regular, focussed intervention (most classes have full-time support)

Use of proven programmes for intervention

Ongoing support and CPD to ensure pupils receive high quality teaching

Support for parents with the costs of educational visits and residentials

School staff and external agency support for families with low attendance and engagement

## **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 show that the education of many of our disadvantaged pupils has been impacted by school closures and class/pupil isolations to a greater extent than for other pupils. There was a much lower level of engagement in remote learning by disadvantaged pupils than other pupils.
	These findings are supported by national studies. This has resulted in significant knowledge gaps leading to pupils falling behind age-related expectations in all areas.
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	Generally, disadvantaged pupils have poorer speech, oral language skills and vocabulary than other pupils (typically each cohort has a significant number of pupils with speech and language issues on entry).
4	Lack of engagement and parental support with home learning (impact during lockdowns) and/or lack of access to online learning
5	Poor attendance and punctuality (2020-2021 94% compared to 97.5% for other pupils). Most persistent absentee children are disadvantaged pupils.

### **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
Strong progress and outcomes in reading, writing and maths for disadvantaged pupils	Disadvantaged pupil outcomes at the expected level are in line with national levels for disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS2
Strong progress and outcomes in reading and phonics for disadvantaged pupils	Y1 Phonics outcomes are at least in line with national Reading outcomes at KS2 for disadvantaged pupils at the expected level and greater depth are in line with national levels for disadvantaged pupils Progress is at least in line with national
Improved oral language skills and vocabulary among disadvantaged pupils.	In school monitoring and evidence (assessments, work scrutiny, staff and pupil discussions) show improved speech and language. Disadvantaged children's vocabulary (written and oral) improves

Sustained engagement at school and with homework (children and parents)	In school evidence (assessments/data, work scrutiny, staff and pupil discussions) shows: - strong engagement in homework - positive attitudes to learning - attendance at extra-curricular activities - attendance at school events e.g. open afternoons, workshops and parent consultations
Improved attendance	Attendance for all pupils is at least 95%. The attendance gap between disadvantaged pupils and their non- disadvantaged is reduced and is broadly in line. The percentage of persistent absentees for all pupils, including disadvantaged is reduced.

## 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: £ 48 267

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Ensure all relevant staff have received Read Write Inc training to deliver the scheme effectively including ongoing support and CPD  TLR for leadership and implementation of RWI/Early Reading	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:  Read Write Inc is a proven programme for improving reading, writing and phonics  https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/phonics	1,2,3
Read Write Inc taught in small groups daily Including follow up intervention  Extra staffing	Read Write Inc is a proven programme for improving reading, writing and phonics  Impact of smaller group support <a href="https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/small-group-tuition">https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/small-group-tuition</a>	1,2,3
Embed use of Accelerated Reader to increase reading for pleasure Accelerated Reader - £7600	Accelerated Reader has a positive impact on engagement and progress in reading fluency and comprehension  https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/reading-comprehension-strategies	1,2,3
Enhance maths teaching and curriculum through	National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics, drawing on evidence-based approaches:	1

work with the LA maths consultant and maths hub. Purchase resources and deliver CPD to embed maths mastery approaches across all year groups Release for new maths lead and staff CPD	Maths_guidance_KS_1_and_2.pdf  The EEF guidance is based on a range of the best available evidence:  Improving Mathematics in Key Stages 2 and 3	
Develop oral language and vocabulary across school – implement SALT approaches, use of strategies from Talk Boost and NELI, In house CPD on language and vocabulary	Oral language interventions can have a positive impact on pupils' language skills.  Oral language interventions   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	3

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

Budgeted cost: £ 42 813

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Establish small group interventions in maths and English for disadvantaged pupils falling behind agerelated expectations/other 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:  One to one tuition   EEF (educationen-dowmentfoundation.org.uk)  And in small groups:  Small group tuition   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF	1,2,3
School led tutoring in KS2	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:	1,2,3

	One to one tuition   EEF (educa-tionendowmentfoundation.org.uk) And in small groups:  Small group tuition   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF	
Develop oral language and vocabulary across school – Nuffield Early Language Intervention in Reception/Y1, Talk Boost in Y2	Oral language interventions can have a positive impact on pupils' language skills.  Oral language interventions   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	3

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

Budgeted cost: £ 15 000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addresse d
Support families with low engagement (HT/SBM/SLT) through:  • Regular positive information/messages to parents about learning in school, supporting homework and learning at home • Access to online learning tools/online homework • Provide access to devices as needed • Homework club • Parent outreach and engagement activities - Student social worker	Research shows that there is a positive association between parental engagement in children's learning and learning outcomes.  https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/parental-engagement  Working with Parents to Support Children's Learning   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	4,5
Widening experiences of disadvantaged/all pupils (impact on vocabulary, readiness to learn, Cultural Capital)  • Y6 Residential	Enrichment opportunities, extra-curricular and personal development activities can impact positively on engagement at school and longer term outcomes	4
(access for all pupils)  Educational visits	Life skills and enrichment   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	

<ul> <li>Visitors and workshops in school</li> <li>Enrichment opportunities e.g. music in Y5, theatre groups, sports coaching</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Projects and activities in the local community e.g. Remembrance service, local history projects, Path Head watermill link</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Creativity         weeks/days to         deepen children's         understanding of         topics and issues         e.g. diversity,         environment</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Use of strategies and principles from DfE's Improving School Attendance advice.</li> <li>Advice and support from LA</li> </ul>	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/parental-engagement Working with Parents to Support Children's Learning   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	4, 5
<ul> <li>Parent outreach and engagement activities – HT/SBM/Student social worker</li> </ul>		

Total budgeted cost: £ 106 080

# 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 2020 to 2021 academic year.

Aim	Outcome
Pupils will be able to use phonic knowledge and read fluently and accurately.	Y2 phonics score Autumn Term 2020 80% Key focus in Reception and Key Stage One, Y3. Improving progress across the year but impacted by lockdowns and isolation periods.
To improve rates of progress for pupil premium children which impacts on attainment To ensure children are on track to make expected (or better) progress by the end of each key stage.  Progress in reading, writing and maths	OVERVIEW OF PROGRESS  Progress has improved since September 2020 but these are still areas of concern.  Compared to other pupils, pupil premium children are making slower progress and are below in terms of attainment. This is due to the impact of lost learning time and poor engagement during lockdowns and class/pupil isolation periods.
Parental Engagement	Excellent engagement from some families during the pandemic which impacted positively on pupil progress.  Families were supported with access to devices, data, delivery of workpacks and regular communication from school (phonecalls, doorstep visits). However, analysis of home learning engagement during lockdowns and periods of isolation showed that the pupils who had no or very limited engagement were pupil premium children.

## **Externally provided programmes**

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you purchased in the previous academic year. This will help the Department for Education identify which ones are popular in England

Programme	Provider