

## **Pupil Premium spending at St Augustines of Canterbury Catholic Primary School**

**2017- 18**



### **What is the Pupil Premium?**

Below is a breakdown of how the Pupil Premium funding is spent at St Augustines during the financial year 2017- 18. The Government believes that the Pupil Premium, which is additional to main school funding, is the best way to address the current underlying, equalities between children eligible for free school meals (FSM) and their wealthier peers by ensuring that funding to tackle disadvantage reaches the pupils who need it most. Pupil Premium is allocated to schools based on the number of children who are either receiving Free School Meals currently, or have done so in the last 6 years.

In the 2017 to 2018 financial year, schools receive the following funding for each child registered as eligible for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years:

- £1,320 for pupils in reception to year 6.

Schools also receive £1,900 for each pupil who has left local-authority care because of 1 of the following:

- adoption
- a special guardianship order
- a child arrangements order
- a residence order

In addition children of service personnel in Reception to Year 6 receive funding, which is designed to assist the school to provide emotional and social support in addition to any academic support needs. The Service Pupil Premium is £300 per pupil.

### **How are children selected for support?**

At St Augustines of Canterbury Catholic School we very carefully assess which children may be considered vulnerable to underachievement. Assessment data is regularly scrutinised to quickly identify any child who is underachieving. Additional support is quickly put in place to support these pupils, including via Pupil Premium Funding. Whilst the school recognises that children eligible for Free School Meals statistically underachieve nationally, this is not always the case and the school will not automatically target Pupil Premium Funding equally towards all FSM pupils, as some achieve as well as their peers and a few achieve higher. Additional support is therefore allocated on a case-by-case basis. For further details of how funding is allocated, please read the school's 'Pupil Premium Policy' in the policy area of the school website.

## How is Pupil Premium Funding spent 2017- 18?

<b>Pupil Premium Allocation 2017- 18= £34,900</b>	
<u><b>Intervention</b></u>	<u><b>Costs</b></u>
<p><b>Three Reading Assistants</b> The school has employed and trained three reading assistants. They work with children in Y1 - 6 who have been identified as having limited reading opportunities at home or are reading at a level below expected of their age.</p>	<p>2 hours x 5 afternoons a week  £12,324</p>
<p><b>Parent Link Worker</b> The school has employed a Family Link / Parent Support Worker to play an important part in the relationship between home and school in supporting families on a wide variety of issues. They will work holistically and effectively with parents in ways that will improve their children's well-being. This year they will have a particular focus on improving attendance for PP children.</p>	<p>2 hours X 2 afternoons a week  £2,839.00</p>
<p><b>TA Pupil Premium Champion</b> The school has employed a Pupil Premium TA to work closely with the Inclusion Leader to together champion their cause and provide academic, social and emotional support for PP pupils.</p>	<p>5 mornings a week (20 hours)  £10,683.00</p>
<p><b>Specialist Maths Teacher</b> <b>New for 2017/18</b> The school has employed a specialist maths teacher to do 1:1 tutoring and small group maths support for Pupil Premium children who have been identified as under- achieving in maths.</p>	<p>2 hours a week  £2553.00</p>
<p><b>Sand Tray Therapy</b> <b>New for 2017/18</b> The school has invested in training a TA to be able to run sand tray therapy sessions 1:1 with children. This is an effective non-talking therapy for children which allows them to express their worldview through miniature figures, objects and stories in the sand.</p>	<p>TA (2 hours a week) £642.00</p>
<p><b>Contribution towards the new Jigsaw PSHE scheme</b> <b>New for 2017/18</b> The school has invested in the new Jigsaw PSHE scheme which brings together personal, social, health and economic education as well as social skills and spiritual development in a</p>	<p>£1,250.00</p>

weekly lesson. This whole school approach will benefit the vulnerable children in our school.	
<b>Homework Club</b> 1 hour after school each week for PP children who are not having the opportunity to complete it at home with support.	Teacher (1.25 hours a week) £762.00  TA x 2 (1.25 hours a week) - £642.00
<b>Teacher Feedback</b> Teachers providing effective feedback so that PP children know where they are and what they need to do to improve in 1:1 sessions termly.	12 days of supply cover- £1,800.00
<b>School trip contributions</b> for PP children as we understand the impact that inclusion in extra-curricular activities have on academic achievement.	£1,405
<b>Total Cost</b>	£34,900

### How is the impact measured?

The impact of Pupil Premium Funding is measured in the following ways:

- All vulnerable children (including FSM children) are closely monitored throughout the year via four Pupil Progress Meetings. During these meetings all teachers meet with a member of the Senior Leadership Team and discuss any child considered potentially vulnerable or underachieving and agree strategies to close this achievement gap.
- The Senior Leadership Team provides data analysis reports to the Governing Body at the end of the academic year which includes comparative data on the performance of children who receive Pupil Premium funding against that of their peers.
- A written report on the impact of Pupil Premium Funding is provided to the Governing body annually.

**What was the impact of the Pupil Premium Funding?**

<b>Initiative</b>	<b>What was achieved?</b>	<b>Impact</b>
<b>Three Reading Assistants</b>		
<b>Parent Link Worker</b>		
<b>TA Pupil Premium Champion</b>		
<b>Specialist Maths Teacher</b>		
<b>Sand Tray Therapy</b>		
<b>Teacher Feedback</b>		
<b>Jigsaw PSHE scheme</b>		
<b>Homework Club</b>		
<b>School trip contributions</b>		