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**Pupil Premium Policy**

The Pupil Premium is additional funding for publicly funded schools in England to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils of all abilities and to close the gaps between them and their peers.

The DFE has given us the freedom to use Pupil Premium as we see it fit, based upon our knowledge of our children’s needs. It is for school to decide how the Pupil Premium, allocated to schools per FSM child, is spent, since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should me made for the individual children within their responsibility. However, they will be held accountable for how they have used the additional funding to support children from low-income families. All of our additional provision is outlined in our Pupil Premium Strategy.

The Headteacher and the Pupil Premium lead will regularly and rigorously monitor, evaluate and review strategies we have put in place for Pupil Premium and report to the Governing Body on its progress and impact.

**Pupil Premium Objectives**

* The academy will ensure that the Pupil Premium funding reaches the groups of children for whom it was intended and that it makes a significant impact on their education and lives.
* The Pupil Premium will be used to provide additional educational support to improve the progress and raise the achievements for these children.
* The funding will be used to narrow and close the gap between achievement of these children and their peers.
* The academy will use the additional funding to address any underlying inequalities between children eligible for Pupil Premium and others

**Ensuring effective use of the Pupil Premium**

* The Pupil Premium will be clearly identifiable within the budget.
* The Headteacher (or PP Lead) in consultation with the governors and staff, will decide how the Pupil Premium is spent for the benefits of those children who are entitled.
* In making provision for socially disadvantaged children, we recognise that not all children who receive free school meals will be socially disadvantaged or underachieving. We also recognise that not all children who are socially disadvantaged are registered or qualify for free school meals. We therefore reserve the right to allocate the Pupil Premium funding to support any groups of children the individual school has legitimately identified as being socially disadvantaged.
* The Headteacher (or PP Lead) will report to the governing body on how effective the interventions have been in achieving its aims.
* We will monitor, evaluate and review the success of the impact of the Pupil Premium funding.
* The detailed objectives, plans and outcomes for the annual Pupil Premium allocation will be published on the school website in the Pupil Premium Strategy document.

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