Pupil Premium Statement

At Wandle Valley School we believe that it's about "More Than Education" and we all live by the values of "Together Everyone Achieves More" – TEAM. With this in mind we promote resilience, never giving up. Resulting in making positive changes to the lives and futures of those that come to learn with us.

The Pupil Premium ensures that we are able to carry out what we preach and promote. It is a key resource to allow us to provide an inclusive, challenging and personalised curriculum. The nature of the pupils that attend Wandle Valley School need a varied and flexible learning programme, that not only looks at their educational requirements, but allows us to develop the soft skills and equip our pupils with the skills to make them successful in life and the bigger context.

Our pupils come to us with a number of difficulties and barriers to learning. It would not be possible to educate them all with a blanket educational approach. It is vital for us to provide a variety of learning situations and subjects, to help engage and support the curriculum.

The Pupil Premium Grant is paid to schools for pupils who are recorded as being eligible for Free School Meals in the last six years, who are Looked After, who have been Adopted from Care, or who have a parent serving in the armed forces. The sum of £55,715 for 31 August 2017 from the EFA has been allocated for the current financial year.

At Wandle Valley School up to 84.21% of secondary pupils and 80.43% of primary pupils who attend receive Pupil Premium. This additional resource is solely focused on removing barriers to learning.

Pupil Premium has helped support the improved attendance of pupils from Primary through to Secondary. Offering personalised elements of the timetable and activities such as Swimming, Trampolining, Horse Riding, Table Tennis, Boxing, Drama and Art 1:1.

Pupil Premium Funds for 2017/18 have been allocated to contribute to:

- Employment of experienced staff to work with vulnerable pupils, as appropriate.
- · A number of ELSA trained staff.
- A Whole School Literacy Programme, including 1:1 Tuition, Teacher led and supported by a number of trained LSAs together with an online programme 'Literacy Planet'.
- The introduction of an online specific Maths support programme, 'MyMaths', which can also be tailored to individual needs and is possible to run remotely.
- Financial support to ensure equal opportunities to make progress, the provision of revision and other non-essential (but desirable) learning materials and activities/trips/theatre visits/outdoor education.
- Breakfast Club, breakfast offered to pupils before the start of school.
- · Lunch and break-time provision for pupils.
- Opportunity for pupils to take part in a number of team sports against other schools, with the support of high staff ratios.
- Theatre and offsite activities, venturing into London and using public transport, with the support of high staff ratios.
- Opportunities for College Taster Days.
- · Work Experience days and blocks, with support staff where appropriate.
- New School Uniform provided for all pupils.