

Canvey Island Infant School and Nursery



Policy for the use of Pupil Premium Funding

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This document is a statement of the aims, principles and strategies for the effective use of Pupil Premium Funding at Canvey Island Infant School and Nursery.

It has been developed in consultation with all members of staff and will be reviewed in at least 3 years.

Introduction

Pupil Premium funding is government money designated to help raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils of all abilities to reach their potential and to support children and young people with parents in the regular armed forces

The funding is allocated to schools for children who are known to have been eligible for free school meals since 2018 as well as those first known to be eligible at the January census.

A premium is also available for children whose parents are currently serving in the armed forces. In addition to this, there is a premium for children who have been looked after continuously by the Local Authority for more than six months. These premiums are designed to address the academic, emotional and social well-being of these pupils.

The Pupil Premium is additional to main school funding and it will be used to address any underlying inequalities between these children and their peers, by ensuring that funding reaches the pupils who need it most. The government categorise the children eligible as 'disadvantaged'.

The grant may be spent in the following ways:

- for the purposes of the school; that is, for the educational benefit of pupils registered at that school
- for the benefit of pupils registered at other maintained schools or academies
- on community facilities; for example, services whose provision furthers any charitable purpose for the benefit of pupils at the school or their families, or people who live or work in the locality in which the school is situated

The grant does not have to be completely spent by schools in the current financial year; some or all of it may be carried forward to future financial years.

Strategy

At Canvey Island Infant School and Nursery we will use the funding to:

- support training and continuous development to improve the quality of all teaching
- target support for disadvantaged pupils through evidence-based interventions
- support whole-school strategies to improve attendance, behaviour and readiness to learn

Monitoring and Reporting

Every local-authority-maintained school must publish specific information on its website to comply with *The School Information (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 and 2016* and other relevant legislation.

It will be the responsibility of the Headteacher, or nominated member of staff, to compile a 3-year strategy plan and review this annually, publishing a statement on the school website. This is presented to the Governing Board.

The 3-year strategy plan and annual statement will include:

- i) For the current academic year:
 - the school's pupil premium grant allocation amount
 - a statement of intent
 - a summary of the main challenges to educational achievement faced by eligible pupils at the school
 - Our intended outcomes we are aiming for by the end of the strategy plan and how these will be measured
 - how the pupil premium will be spent on activities and approaches to overcome the challenges outlined and the evidence supporting each activity and approach
 - the date of the next review of the school's pupil premium strategy

- ii) Review of the previous academic year:
 - how the pupil premium allocation was spent
 - the effect of the expenditure on eligible and other pupils, its impact and data

Please note that pupil premium funding is allocated for each financial year, but the information that is published online will refer to the academic year, as this is how parents understand the school system. Any changes to funding allocations will be updated as soon as possible after notification.