

Pupil Premium outline for school year 2018/2019

Context

The DfE provides additional funding to schools in the form of the Pupil Premium in order that specific groups of pupils aged between 5 and 16, who may be disadvantaged by virtue of the family circumstances, can be supported in their progress and attainment.

Funding is received for pupils who are:

1. Eligible for free school meals
2. 'Children in Care'
3. From a Service family i.e. Army, Navy or RAF

The Pupil Premium funding that the DfE provides is not necessarily intended to be specifically allocated to individual pupils and schools have the freedom to decide how it can best be spent to ensure that the maximum number of pupils are supported. There may well be limited impact that the individual sum allocated to each pupil can achieve and for this reason the funds allocated to Stone Lodge Academy have been pooled to maximise their impact, although individual needs are taken into account when planning how to use the resources. This is the approach many schools take to using this additional funding

The money which is just less than £80,000 is spent mainly on supporting the curriculum via the creation of an Intervention Team :

1. Two teaching assistants have been appointed to work with an increasing cohort of pupils for whom a sensory diet has been identified as being beneficial. These sensory activities include gross motor work, fine motor skills taught through a variety of programme and other sensory stimuli as required by the individual pupils.
2. In a new development a teaching assistant has been employed to work alongside the speech and language therapist helping the school to maximise the impact of our speech and language therapist's expertise.

3. We continue to provide free milk to ALL pupils every lunchtime.
4. Some of this money along with our Sports Premium also subsidises horse riding for all pupils in the primary department every week, which encourages the pupils to develop a good inner core strength and improves confidence.
5. Our Intervention Team offers strong literacy support which encourages pupils who have difficulty in developing their reading skills, tests all pupils in their reading and spelling ability and supports the English teachers within the classroom. The need for this work also keeps increasing exponentially and two teaching assistants are now assigned to this work , Pupil Premium money funds a proportion of these costs.
6. Currently we have 24 pupils that use augmented communication (Ipads) we use some Pupil Premium money to fund a teaching assistant who has responsibility for managing these Ipads.

Pupil Premium Impact 2018/ 2019

Stone Lodge Academy is happy to report that the support given to pupils who receive pupil premium has had a positive impact on pupils' progress.

Approximately one in three of our pupils receive Pupil Premium.

At Key Stage 2 all Yr6 pupils, whether receiving Pupil Premium or not, made at least one sub-level of progress in both English and Science, with 89% achieving at least one sub-level in Maths.

Pupils receiving Pupil Premium (PP) made comparable progress to those pupils not receiving PP

At Key Stage 3 Pupils receiving PP made similar progress to those not receiving PP within the expected attainment targets.

Across the Upper School, PP funds are used to ensure that our pupils are not disadvantaged through lack of personal funds or equipment and that all are

enabled to go on school trips or residential activities; e.g. our Residential to Wales or Kingswood.

In general at Key Stage 4 pupils receiving PP continue to make comparable progress with those not receiving PP, this illustrates our strong positive ethos towards preparing pupils for employability, developing aspirations and rewarding those who do well.

We also spend some of the PP budget on employing pastoral staff who support pupils in developing emotional resilience and self-regulatory skills when managing behaviour, which enables young people to move forward toward a positive future. We are pleased to say that in July all our Year 11 pupils who received Pupil Premium have moved on to further education, for the second year running we have no NEET pupils.

Pupil Premium Report for ; 2017/18

Stone Lodge Academy's Pupil Premium budget (£80,000) for the above school year was apportioned as follows.

£46,500	Employing specialist staff to support those pupils with ASD who require pastoral time to learn skills to help them manage their emotions and develop their learning skills. Employing pastoral staff to support pupils in building their emotional resilience and removing psychological barriers to learning
£7,000	Employing a fully trained teaching assistant to deliver the Maths Intervention Programme
£10,700	Employing a fully qualified teaching assistant to support literacy across the curriculum
£16,600	Employing a teaching assistant to deliver the sensory curriculum to pupils and to support one pupil in part-time education
£10,000	Employing a fully qualified teaching assistant to support pupils using augmentative communication strategies throughout the school
£5000	Commissioning external activity companies to work with a range of disaffected pupils, to develop greater confidence and emotional resilience

All projected spending is aimed at not only closing the gap between sectors of pupils but also encouraging everyone to excel.

The next planned review of our Pupil Premium expenditure will be in May 2019 at the start of the Summer Term in order to prepare for the next school year.