Pupil Premium

The Headteacher will decide how to use the Pupil Premium allocation, as they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for individual pupils.

It is for schools to decide how the pupil premium, allocated to schools per Free School Meal pupil is spent, since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils within their responsibility.

Source DfE website

At St Marys:

Pupil Premium is additional funding given to our school so that we can support the teaching and learning of our disadvantaged children and the gap between the attainment of non-Pupil Premium children and Pupil Premium children closes.

Pupil Premium children are those who are currently registered for Free School Meals, those who have been eligible for Free School Meals at any point in the past 6 years and children with a parent in the forces.

Pupil Premium pupils are allocated: £1,320 (2015-2016)
Service children are allocated: £300
Adopted from Care or Child Looked After: £1,900
Total allocation for 2015-16 was: £18, 340

Our total Pupil Premium grant allocation for 2015/16 was: £15, 840

How is the Pupil Premium (PP) used at St Mary's CE VC Primary School since September 2015:

- a. Additional TA support was again funded within the classroom in Key Stage 1 to implement additional support small group/1:1 support with phonics, speech and language and basic skills.
- b. Support towards retaining one full time Teaching Assistant in KS2 for support with reading, phonics and maths.
- c. Financial support was also given for trips to enable the children to access the curriculum; uniform subsidies, privately run clubs, school milk and other resources as appropriate to ensure the children were having equal access to learning as their peers.
- d. Continue with the high level of support for pupils with Special Educational Needs;

Major Expenditure

Pupil Premium Support	Cost
Additional Teaching Assistant employed in KS1	£10,000
Funding to support towards 1 full time Teaching Assistant in KS2	£5,000
Funding to support daily 1:1/small group support for phonics, reading, writing and maths	£2821.35
Trips and enrichment activities	£438.65
Uniform	£80
TOTAL	£18, 340

The impact of the PPG for 2015/16 was:

- a. In most cases, KS2 Pupil Premium pupils achieved as well as and sometimes better than their non pupil Premium peers in terms of progress from their starting points.
- b. A focus of last year was to to continue to work on closing the gap more quickly at KS1, particularly in writing and phonics. In KS1, children with Pupil Premium generally performed as well as or slightly higher than their non Pupil Premium peers in terms of progress from their starting points. The additional support demonstrated a positive impact on our results at and within KS1, particularly with phonics, where 100% of our children passed the screening. We are still focusing on closing the gap for individual pupils in both Key Stages.
- c. Sustained rates of progress, self-esteem, raised confidence
- d. Improved attendance and behaviour.
- e. Improved participation in school based activities and extracurricular clubs.

What do we need to improve on?

As a school, we are focusing on increasing the percentage of pupils attaining at the expected standard in writing.

2016-17

The funding allocation for 2016-17 is £20, 560.00. This year we have retained an additional Teaching Assistant in Year 1/2 to enable greater pupil/adult ratio and to enable the school to explore different teaching and learning groups and structures. We will be engaging the support of a Teaching School to work with us on improving the writing outcomes for groups of children. We continue to implement 1-1 focused teaching in phonics, fund sports clubs and purchase additional school resources to support learning.