

Pupil premium strategy statement

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2023 to 2024 academic year) funding to help improve the attainment of our disadvantaged pupils.

It outlines our pupil premium strategy, how we intend to spend the funding in this academic year and the effect that last year's spending of pupil premium had within our school.

School overview

Detail	Data
School name	Hillshott Infant School and Nursery
Number of pupils in school	211
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	26%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2023/2024 to 2026/2027
Date this statement was published	November 2023
Date on which it will be reviewed	November 2024
Statement authorised by	Headteacher
Pupil premium lead	Melissa Peacock
Governor lead	Sarah Lee

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£61,110
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£6,028
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

At Hillshott Infant School and Nursery 26% of children are currently eligible for the pupil premium grant.

Our aim is for all children to achieve their potential, including those eligible for PPG, therefore our objectives are to narrow and close any gaps through quality teaching, targeted intervention work and individual support where appropriate. Where pupils eligible for PPG are already high attaining, we aim for them to continue to progress and we challenge them appropriately to do so.

High-quality teaching is central to our approach, which is essential for good progress, high attainment and benefits all pupils.

Challenges

This details the key challenges to achievement that we have identified among our disadvantaged pupils.

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Low speech, language and communication skills on entry
2	Poor social and emotional development and engagement difficulties
3	High percentage of PPG children with SEND or referrals
4	Low resilience, low confidence and fear of failure
5	Engagement of parents to support learning and attendance

Intended outcomes

This explains the outcomes we are aiming for **by the end of our current strategy plan**, and how we will measure whether they have been achieved.

Intended outcome	Success criteria
To close the gap in attainment in Reading, Writing and Maths between our PPG children and all children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessments show gap closing and higher percentage of PPG children attaining a Good Level of Development (GLD) at the end of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), (2023 44%) WellComm is used in EYFS to assess and develop children's skills with focussed interventions showing impact Phonics check shows an increasing % of PPG children passing (2023 36%) Assessments show gaps closing and children making good or better progress in all areas, with eligible pupils who do not have a significant learning difficulty attaining at least an age-appropriate standard or better in reading, writing and maths PPG who are more able attaining above curriculum expectations in reading, writing and maths
<p>Children in early years make progress in PSED skill development as measured against Early Years Foundation Stage Profile (EYFSP)</p> <p>Children in KS1 show increased social and emotional development leading to improved behaviour for learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessments show good or better progress at end of EYFS Leuven scale assessments show progress in key skill areas Weekly PSHE lessons take place in all classes Pastoral team provide appropriate interventions at an early stage Children understand their emotions and have effective strategies to be able to manage them through using Zones of Regulation, so they are able to focus on learning.
SEND children who are also PPG make progress in reading, writing and maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress of SEND PPG children is tracked termly and shows good or better progress from their starting points Interventions for SEND pupils reviewed half-termly show impact IEP targets are appropriate and contribute to accelerated progress Internal tracking of interventions ensures that pupils are accurately assessed as

	having met/not met the target of their intervention
Children with English as an additional language (EAL) who are also PPG make progress in reading, writing and maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress of EAL PPG children is tracked termly and shows good or better progress from their starting points • Interventions for EAL pupils e.g. Race to English are reviewed regularly to evidence impact
Children will become more resilient when tackling challenges, show motivation to succeed and display more confidence in new situations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whole school PSHE scheme used in all year groups • PPG children show more confidence and motivation when faced with challenges and new situations • When children face difficulties, they tackle these positively rather than reaching a crisis point • Pastoral team in school are used to develop confidence, self-esteem and resilience
<p>Parents support children in their education – ensuring that children attend school, attend extra-curricular activities (school clubs) and support learning at home</p> <p>All PPG children have a good rate of attendance</p> <p>Average attendance for PPG children improves in line with whole school*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents attend workshops at school where possible and parent consultations • Parents support children with home learning – homework, reading records • Attendance for all PPG children improves towards being in line with the rest of the school • EYPP pupils have access to 'take home bags' to increase parental engagement.

*(2022-23 school data was 88% for PPG, 91% for whole school, national primary school figure for Autumn 22 was PPG 89%, whole school 93.7%)

Activity in this academic year

This details how we intend to spend our pupil premium (and recovery premium funding) **this academic year** to address the challenges listed above.

Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £20,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Performance appraisal targets include PPG pupils as part of success criteria	Making Best Use of Teaching Assistants EEF	1
Purchase additional books and resources (including ebooks and SEN programme) to support 'Little Wandle' our DfE validated Systematic Phonics programme to ensure consistency in teaching phonics throughout the school	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base that indicates a positive impact on the accuracy of word reading, particularly for disadvantaged pupils Phonics Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	1
Investment in staffing – additional adults ensuring more smaller group work	Closing the attainment gap EEF Making Best Use of Teaching Assistants EEF	1 2 3 4
Take home bags for home-school learning in Nursery	Nursery baseline shows maths and fine motor skills are particularly low and resources support these areas Working with Parents to Support Children's Learning EEF	1 3 5

Targeted academic support (for example, tutoring, one-to-one support structured interventions)

Budgeted cost: £30,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
HLTA to focus on PP children's targets	<p>Historical Reading, Writing, and Maths data in Key Stage 1 shows a gap between attainment of PPG and all children in school</p> <p>Improving Literacy in Key Stage 1 EEF</p> <p>Improving Mathematics in the Early Years and Key Stage 1 EEF</p>	1 3 4
WellComm assessments in EYFS Autumn 2023, targeted interventions in place Autumn 2023, 6 weekly check	<p>Analysis of baseline data in EYFS shows a gap between PPG children and other children in school, the biggest gap in Reading, Writing and Maths</p> <p>Improving Literacy in Key Stage 1 EEF</p> <p>Improving Mathematics in the Early Years and Key Stage 1 EEF</p>	1 3
Provide school-led tutoring for targeted pupils	<p>Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind both 1:1 and in small groups.</p> <p>One to one tuition EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)</p> <p>Small group tuition Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF</p>	1 3

Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing)

Budgeted cost: £17,138

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Classroom work on the Zones of Regulation (with a focus on promoting a growth mindset, motivating and developing confidence, learning about themselves and others and overcoming the fear of failure)	'Mindset', Dr Carol Dweck Our Research Backed Approach The Zones of Regulation	2 4
Pastoral interventions such as Drawing and Talking and Protective Behaviours	Drawing and Talking - The Parliamentary Review Drawing and Talking helps teachers tackle children's mental health issues Primary Times Protective Behaviours - History of Protective Behaviours	2 4
Jigsaw PSHE programme for whole school	Social and emotional learning widely acknowledged to have 'identifiable and significant impact' (Education Endowment Foundation)	2 4
Rewards system also focuses on wellbeing	Praise and rewards given for non-academic achievements	2 4
Family Support Worker (FSW) to offer support as required Letters/conversations with parents when attendance begins to dip or there are frequent odd days Joint interviews with Attendance Improvement Officer/Headteacher and parents to support where families are experiencing difficulties	FSW to provide contact for parents to support emotional needs and crisis Working with Parents to Support Children's Learning EEF	2 3 5

Weekly whole school attendance award		
Subsidies for uniform, use of uniform bank and food bank, subsidies for trips if needed, for paid clubs or priority at school club	Extracurricular activities are an important part of education in its own right. These approaches may increase engagement in learning. Arts participation EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	5
Providing breakfast for children	There is some evidence that providing free, universal, before-school breakfast clubs can benefit pupils, by preparing children for learning or supporting behaviour and school attendance. Magic Breakfast EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	
Contingency fund for acute issues	Based on our experiences and those of other schools in our locality, and due to large mobility numbers, we have identified a need to set aside a small amount of funding to respond quickly to needs that have not been yet identified.	All

Total budgeted cost: £67,138

Part B: Review of outcomes in the previous academic year

Pupil premium strategy outcomes

This details the impact that our pupil premium activity had on pupils in the 2021 to 2022 academic year.

Targets set are ongoing, but impact seen in 2022-2023 is detailed below:

- There remains a gap between the percentage of children achieving GLD (65% for 2022-23) and the percentage of PPG children achieving GLD (44% for 2022-23). Although there was an improvement of 34% from 22-23, this remains as a target.
- WellComm was used effectively in EYFS to assess and develop children's skills with focussed interventions. In Nursery, 24/37 achieved age-related expectations by the end of the year, whereas only 12/37 were age-related at the start of the year. In Reception, 34 (18 previous year) did not pass age-related expectations in the Autumn term and only 7 (2) did not pass by the end of year. All pupils however made at least two levels progress showing that WellComm made a positive impact. The 7 children that did not pass in Reception all had SEND bar one, whose attendance was only 51%.
- The Phonics check in Summer '23 showed 69% of children passing overall which is an increase from Summer '22 (66%). For the PPG group there was a 36% pass rate, showing a gap between PPG and non PPG children. Although there was an improvement of 23% from 22-23, this continues to be a target area.
- Assessments show gaps closing in Reading, Writing and Maths in KS1. Almost all children are making good or better progress in all areas, with the majority of eligible pupils who do not have a significant learning difficulty attaining at least an age-appropriate standard or better in all areas. The increase in PP children achieving at the expected level is greater than the increase for all children.
- PPG who are more able attain above curriculum expectations in reading, writing and maths.
- Assessments show good or better progress at end of EYFS.
- Leuven scale assessments show progress in key skill areas.
- Progress of SEND PPG children is tracked termly. IEP reviews show good or better progress from their starting points, with 94% targets partially or fully met by the end of the year. In Reading, Writing and Maths, SEND children without PP attain slightly better than SEND with PP.
- IEP targets are appropriate and contribute to accelerated progress.
- The Jigsaw whole school PSHE scheme is used consistently in all year groups and the children respond well to lessons. Children, including those eligible for PPG are becoming better able to face difficulties positively rather than reaching a crisis point, displaying more confidence and motivation. Where specific work has been put into place with an individual, the Pastoral Team in school have provided timely and effective support and good progress has been seen with self-esteem and resilience.
- Workshops took place for Maths in EYFS, the Phonics Check in Year 1 and an introduction to SATs for parents in Year 2. A whole school Little Wandle workshop also took place. Feedback from parents was very positive and these will continue in 2023-24. Family consultations were well attended. Parents continued to support learning well through homework and scribing in reading records. Nursery continued to use 'take home bags', which were well received by families.

- Attendance for all children continued to be a challenge throughout the year. PPG attendance was still below that of all other children. This continues as a target.

Externally provided programmes

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you purchased in the previous academic year. This will help the Department for Education identify which ones are popular in England

Programme	Provider

Further information (optional)

Children throughout the school are offered additional support through planned interventions to promote PSHE and wellbeing. Any school interventions offered are recorded and reviewed on a 6-weekly basis to ensure impact.