# Pupil premium strategy statement – Lightwoods Primary Academy

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2021 to 2022 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	Lightwoods Primary Academy
Number of pupils in school	420
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	14% (62 pupils)
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers	2022/2023
Date this statement was published	November 2022
Date on which it will be reviewed	October 2023
Statement authorised by	Mr R Matthews
Pupil premium lead	Mrs W Jackson
Governor / Trustee lead	Mrs E Warwick

### **Funding overview**

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£59,624
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£5,655
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£65,279
If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	

### Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

#### Statement of intent

At Lightwoods, we are ambitious for all pupils, and we strongly believe in removing barriers to learning. When making decisions about using Pupil Premium funding, it is important to consider the context of the school and the subsequent challenges faced, alongside research into what works across a range of contexts. We use this funding to support spending which benefits eligible children within their cohorts, rather than creating individual budgets for each child. This spending significantly enhances our capacity to support children with barriers to their learning.

Our pupils in receipt of the Pupil Premium Funding face specific barriers to achievement and we are determined to support our children to overcome as many of these as possible. Common barriers to learning for disadvantaged children can be: less support at home, weak language and communication skills, lack of confidence, more frequent behaviour difficulties and attendance and punctuality issues. There may also be complex family situations that prevent children from flourishing. The challenges are varied and there is no "one size fits all".

In response to the complex picture of need, we will adopt a tiered approach to ensure that provision for children removes as many barriers as possible for each child. We will ensure that all teaching staff are involved in the analysis of data and identification of pupils, so that they are fully aware of strengths and weaknesses across the school.

We have a strong focus on the quality of teaching and the impact it has upon learners, which is a continuous and relentless focus for leaders and staff. We understand that this has the most positive impact on all children, but especially those who are in receipt of Pupil Premium. The work of the strategy is designed to affect the over-arching outcome – to increase the percentage of children in receipt of the Pupil Premium who are working at age related expectations.

#### **Challenges**

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Outcomes for children who are in receipt of Pupil Premium are lower than non-PP
2	Support for the lowest 20% to make rapid progress
3	Removing barriers to engagement with and access to enrichment of the curriculum

4	Attendance - poor attendance and lateness for a small number of pupil
	premium children.

#### **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
The achievement gap between those in receipt of the pupil premium grant and those not in receipt will have narrowed.	Individual and group tracking of those in receipt of the pupil premium grant will demonstrate achievement in line with non-pupil premium
Children in the lowest 20% nationally will make rapid progress.	All children will be in receipt of excellent quality first teaching Teaching will be responsive to children's needs in the moment and over time Outcomes for children will be improved.
Children will be able to take a full and active part in all aspects of school life, including residentials and visits.	Funding will be provided on an individual basis to provide access to after school clubs; before and after school provision; school visits and tournaments; and residentials.  Access to school uniform, PE kit, and other necessities will be supported.
Children will attend school regularly and absence rates for the group will be at least in line with national.	Persistence Absence will be below 11%  Overall absence will be in line with national for each year group.

## 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: £ 19,200

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
INSET Responsive Teaching programme of CPD focussing on meeting the needs of individual learners, through accurate assessment of learning to provide appropriate support and challenge.	Carefully designed/aligned Teacher CPDL with a strong focus on pupil outcomes has a significant impact on student achievement DGT-Summary.pdf (tdtrust.org)  Improving the Quality of instruction Including elements such as effective	1, 2
PDM sequence, over 3 terms: Responsive Teaching, Sequencing Learning, activating students and metacognition.	questioning and use of assessment by teachers has strong evidence of impact on Student outcomes. Specific practices, like reviewing previous learning, providing model responses for students, giving adequate time for practice to embed skills securely and progressively	1, 2
Implement a systematic programme of Facilitated Lesson Observations across school.	introducing new learning (scaffolding) are also elements of high-quality instruction.  Research and development network: great pedagogy and professional development report - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)	1, 2
	Systematically and strategically implementing staff CPD improves the pedagogy and rates of attainment for learners. Characteristics of Effective Teacher Professional Development   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	
Carry out Year Group SEND Deep dives to tailor support for our most vulnerable children.	Effective provision works towards building a secure understanding of pupils and their needs. Understanding how to effectively meet the needs of pupils with an identified need is a vital element of high-quality education	1, 2

	Supporting SEND - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)	
Purchase of Rocket Phonics, a DfE validated Systematic Synthetic Phonics programme to secure stronger phonics teaching for all pupils.	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base that indicates a positive impact on the accuracy of word reading (though not necessarily comprehension), particularly for disadvantaged pupils: Phonics   Toolkit Strand   Education	1, 2
Home reading books are organised to match phonic levels. Additional books purchased and sent home so that children are able to access and enjoy a book slightly higher than phonic levels, with adult support, to promote a love of reading.	Endowment Foundation   EEF 1	1, 2, 3
Purchase of standardised diagnostic assessments, including CEM and NTS.  Training for staff to ensure assessments are interpreted and administered correctly.	Standardised tests can provide reliable insights into the specific strengths and weaknesses of each pupil to help ensure they receive the correct additional support through interventions or teacher instruction: Standardised tests   Assessing and Monitoring Pupil Progress   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF	1, 2

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

Budgeted cost: £ 25,555

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Supplement the Tuition Funding to target specific academic support for highlighted children, using a School Led Tutor, to ensure that identified pupils regularly access tuition.	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method 1 8 to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one: One to one tuition   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk) And in small groups: Small group tuition   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF	1, 2
Provide targeted support in early reading development, including phonics interventions	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base that indicates a positive impact on the accuracy of word reading (though not necessarily comprehension), particularly for disadvantaged pupils:	1, 2

targeted at supporting the lowest 20%	Phonics   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF EEF reports highlight the need for taking a balanced approach to the development of early reading and the impact this can have on pupil outcomes. Communication and language approaches (+6 months), Phonics (+5 months), Reading and comprehension strategies (+6 months), Oral language intervention (+6 months)	
Additional teacher to support teaching groups in targeted Year Groups	Reducing Class Size can increase the amount of attention that each student will receive and can increase progress by 2 months.	1, 2
Purchase of Century Tech to support flipped learning, to target those most in need of additional support.	Studies by EEF: Use of technology (+4months)	1, 2, 3

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

Budgeted cost: £ 31,332

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Removal of financial barriers to educational and aspirational experiences by subsidising the cost of the school day, via activities such as:  Purchase of School Uniform, PE Kit, Coats and shoes for those children in need.  Provision of Before and After School Club to support families in particular circumstances  Subsidising visits, visitors, residentials and multi-sports clubs	Studies indicate the positive impact of curriculum and wider school enrichment activity on pupil outcomes. Enrichment Theory, Research and Practice: (PDF) Enrichment Theory, Research, and Practice (researchgate.net)	3
Attendance and Safeguarding Mentor leading on attendance initiatives including SSP,	The DfE guidance has been informed by engagement with schools that have significantly reduced levels of absence and persistent absence. Working	3, 4

Home Visits, referrals, and Early Help. Attendance officer to track, identify and support families to improve pupil attendance, embedding principles of good practice set out in the DfE's Improving School Attendance advice.	together to improve school attendance - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)	
Increase capacity for direct work with children, via Learning Mentor support.	Evidence suggests that children from disadvantaged backgrounds have, on average, weaker SEL skills at all ages than their more affluent peers. EEF	3
SSP Team: Provide additional support for vulnerable families to improve outcomes.	Toolkit shows that Targeted Interventions can be up to 6 months progress	1, 3
Inclusion support: Provide additional support for PP children who are SEN or at risk of exclusion and work alongside SLT /staff to improve outcomes	Explicitly teaching and building opportunities for social and emotional learning through broader curriculum is highlighted by the EEF Improving Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	1, 2, 3
DHT and PSHE leader to work to refine, develop and evolve a PSHE curriculum that meets the needs of the community.	NFER report: Have an individualised approach to addressing barriers to learning and emotional support, at an early stage, rather than providing access to generic support and focusing on pupils nearing their end-of-key-stage assessments. Studies by the EEF: Social and emotional support (+4months), behaviour interventions (+3months).	
Supporting families to further engage in their child's learning and academic life, through Learning Together sessions.	Supporting the families of our pupils on their parenting journeys will have a significant impact on the lives of our pupils. EEF report indicates that parental engagement has an impact of +4 months Parental engagement   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	1, 3

Total budgeted cost: £ 76,087

# 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.

rear 1 (10 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Reading	80%	80%
Writing	70%	68%
Maths	80%	78%
Year 2 (5 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Reading	40%	80%
Writing	20% (1 child)	73%
Maths	40%	75%
Year 3 (7 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Reading	43%	78%
Writing	43%	65%
Maths	43%	72%
Year 4 (8 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Reading	50%	70%
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Writing		

Year 5 (13 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Reading	54%	77%
Writing	46%	69%
Maths	54%	77%

Year 6 (4 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Reading	50%	87%
Writing	0%	63%
Maths	25%	84%

Attainment in reading, writing and maths is lower for children in receipt of Pupil Premium than their peers from year 2-6.

### Attendance (National Average = 94.6%)

Year 1 (12 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Attendance	93.6%	93.7%
Persistent absence	25%	23%
Year 2 (5 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Attendance	87.9%	95.1%
Persistent absence	40% (2 children)	12% (7 children)
Year 3 (7 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Attendance	96.5%	94.8%
Persistent absence	14% (1 child)	15%
Year 4 (9 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Attendance	93.9%	95.1%
Persistent absence	11% (1 child)	12%
Year 5 (13 children)	Pupil premium	All Children
Attendance	95%	94.7%

Persistent absence	0%	10%	

Persistent absence is broadly in line.

ed outcome Success criteria	
The proportion of excellent teaching is increasing. Continuous Professional Development is impacting positively on teaching so that every teacher is supported to keep improving.	
Pupil tracking shows attainment gaps are narrowing Statutory assessments across school show improved outcomes for disadvantaged children	
Non-complex pupil premium children in year 1 and 2 pass their phonics screening test.  All non-complex pupils achieved 37+	
Routines, structures and teaching adjustments will be made to curriculum teaching and experiences to ensure children make progress.	
Attendance of pupil premium children will be in line with the rest of the school. Whole school attendance was 94.4% Pupil Premium attendance was 93%.  Persistent absence is in line or better that non pupil premium.	