

# **Pupil Premium Spending 2019/20**

#### What is Pupil Premium funding?

The Compass Academy receives additional finance from Pupil Premium funding to ensure that all groups of pupils achieve well. Funding is linked to the number of pupils who are eligible to receive free school meals or are 'Looked After' or belong to 'Service Families'. This does not include those in receipt of Universal Free School Meals in Key Stage 1.

The DfE guidance states that schools are free to spend their Pupil Premium allocation as they see fit since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for individual pupils within their responsibility. However, they also remind schools that they are accountable for the impact of this spending.

#### How do we ensure that Pupil Premium funding has the maximum impact?

Clear and responsive leadership has high aspirations and expectations to ensure that there is an ethos of attainment for all pupils. Leaders drive a 100 per cent buy-in from all staff to convey positive and aspirational messages to disadvantaged pupils. Leaders use evidence including EEF Toolkit to decide on which strategies are likely to be most effective in overcoming barriers to the learning of disadvantaged pupils. Particular consideration is given to high-impact, low-cost strategies.

Leaders and classroom staff use a wide range of information to help identify pupils who are not making expected progress. Information gathered considers the needs of the 'whole child' including social, emotional and mental health needs.

#### Information gathered includes:

- ongoing observations and discussions with the pupil and parents/carers
- rigorous assessment and tracking procedures
- feedback from teacher support and training meetings
- progress against the monitoring of EHCP targets and 'My Support Plan' targets
- outcomes of personal development ABAL data
- recommendations from other professionals, agencies and support workers
- Feedback received from daily staff debriefs

Leaders frequently evaluate the effectiveness of resources and make adjustments as necessary. Staffing and quality of teaching is closely monitored to ensure the effective deployment of staff to support disadvantaged pupils and identify where the skills of teachers and support staff require development.

Performance management and ongoing monitoring procedures are used to reinforce the importance of this agenda, challenging staff on outcomes for disadvantaged pupils, as required.

Pupil Premium Funding				
Academic Year: 2019/20	Total funding: £41,469 (Projected figure)			
Staff lead: Claire Horne	Lead Governor:			
Number of pupils: 30	% of cohort: 65%			

## **Identified barriers to learning**

Identified barriers to learning are specific to individual pupil need. Robust procedures are established upon admission and through 'Thrive' approach assessments to ensure that a 360 analysis of pupil need is undertaken. 360 reports are regularly updated by key members of staff to ensure that barriers to learning are reduced and any support/interventions are evaluated.

1) Social, emotional and mental health difficulties	98% of our cohort have experienced some form of significant trauma or adverse childhood experience. Such events impact significantly on their emotional development. As a result many of our pupils are stuck in fight or flight response. This in turn affects sleeping patterns and general attitude towards learning. Many pupils have multi agency involvement and are receiving support from a number of different professionals including: Social services, Youth Justice, CAMHS and Refresh.
2) Gaps in learning	On average, pupils that attend the Academy have attended 4 different schools and have missed periods of education. For some, this may be weeks, for others, months or years. These gaps need filling to ensure that pupils have the basic skills to ensure that they can access the curriculum.
3) Engagement	Upon admission, many pupils are disengaged from the education process, this is reflected through poor attitudes towards learning and low levels of attendance. This is further compounded in circumstances when parents/carers are also disengaged, having endured previous negative experiences including their child being permanently excluded/receiving a lack of support.

# 2019/20 Pupil Premium Key priorities

## **Pupil Premium Grant Spending 2019/20 Key priorities:**

- 1) To provide targeted support to those pupils identified as experiencing difficulties in managing their overall mood and mental health needs and remove social and emotional barriers to learning.
- 2) To secure improvements in basic skills: Reading, Writing and Maths. With a particular emphasis on reading.
- 3) Improve levels of attendance and engagement through the funding of a breakfast club and providing home-school transport.

Objective	Cost	Action	Impact Statement
1) To provide	£10,000	-Partial Funding of	
targeted support to		Emotional Wellbeing lead	
those pupils identified		to fund	
as having gaps in		mentoring/supervision	
emotional		periods to promote	
development.		emotional welfare.	
Interventions will	£500	-Resources to provide a	
remove social and		personalised provision.	
emotional barriers to	£30 per hour	-Extend the therapeutic	
learning.	(Total:	offer to include music and	
	£1,170)	talk based therapy	
		-Purchase of Thrive online	
	£2,000	and relevant resources for	
		the dedicated wellbeing	
		area.	
2) To secure	£6.70 per	-Implementation of	
improvements in	head	'Personalised Learning'	
basic skills: Reading,	(Total: £201)	-Use of reading assessment	
Writing and Maths.		data to target relevant	
With a particular		groups/pupils.	
emphasis on reading.		-Accelerated reader/Maths	
		subscription	
	£18,795	-Accelerated Reader/Maths	
		intervention lead.	
		-Funding of 1:1	
		intervention to reduce the	
		gap between actual age	
0)	0.10	and CRA.	
3) Improve levels of	£10 per	-Funded transport e.g. bus	
attendance and	journey	passes where appropriate.	
engagement through	(Total £878)	-Funded home-school	
the funding of a	FOr doil.	transport.	
breakfast club,	50p daily	-Funded breakfast club.	
providing home-	(Total £2,925)	-Funding of The LOFT social skills curriculum to	
school transport and			
an engaging curriculum.		promote external learning	
Culticuluili.		experiencesDevelop Self Esteem and	
	£5,000	'future thinking'	
	budget	opportunities through	
	allocation	enrichment experiences.	
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# **Pupil Premium Plus Funding**

Children in Looked after Care funding and expenditure is discussed during regular EPEP meetings.