

Before completing this template, read the Education Endowment Foundation’s guidance on [using your pupil premium funding effectively](#) and DfE’s [using pupil premium guidance](#), which includes the ‘menu of approaches’. It is for school leaders to decide what activity to spend their pupil premium (and recovery premium) on, within the framework set out by the menu.

All schools that receive pupil premium (and recovery premium) are required to use this template to complete and publish a pupil premium statement on their school website by 31 December every academic year.

If you are starting a new pupil premium strategy plan, use this blank template. If you are continuing a strategy plan from last academic year, you may prefer to edit your existing statement.

Before publishing your completed statement, delete the instructions (text in italics) in this template, including this text box.

This statement details our school’s use of pupil premium (and recovery premium) 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 outcomes for disadvantaged pupils last academic year.

School overview

Detail	Data
Number of pupils in school	104
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	20%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2025-2028
Date this statement was published	September 2026
Date on which it will be reviewed	June 27
Statement authorised by	James Powell
Pupil premium lead	James Powell
Governor / Trustee lead	Anna Rennolds Cook

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£41760
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£0
Pupil premium (and recovery premium*) funding carried forward from previous years <i>(enter £0 if not applicable)</i> <i>*Recovery premium received in academic year 2021 to 2022 can be carried forward to academic year 2022 to 2023. Recovery premium received in academic year 2022 to 2023 cannot be carried forward to 2023 to 2024.</i>	£0
Total budget for this academic year <i>If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year</i>	£41,760

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

At Uplands Community Primary School, we target the use of Pupil Premium funding to ensure that our disadvantaged pupils receive the highest quality of education and to make the best academic progress possible. We will ensure that effective teaching, learning and assessment meets the needs of all pupils through the rigorous analysis of data. Class teachers will plan specific intervention and support for individual pupils which will be reviewed at least termly. Alongside academic support, we will ensure that those pupils who have social, emotional and mental health needs will access high quality provision from appropriately trained adults.

Our context:

Uplands school is broadly at the average level of deprivation in comparison to all other counties in the country.

20% of pupils are eligible for Pupil Premium Funding.

Achieving our objectives:

In order to achieve our objectives and overcome identified barriers to learning we will;

Ensure that children are taught maths in single year groups (of 15 children) by a qualified teacher or a high skilled teaching assistant.

Provide all teachers with high quality CPD to ensure that pupils access effective quality first teaching

Provide targeted intervention and support to quickly address identified gaps in learning including the use of small group work and 1:1 support.

Target funding to ensure that all pupils have access to trips, residential trips, first hand learning experiences

Provide opportunities for all pupils to participate in enrichment activities including sport and music

Provide appropriate nurture support to enable pupils to access learning within and beyond the classroom.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Gaps in reading, writing or maths for 20% of our Pupil Premium pupils who have not been identified as having additional academic needs.
2	Attendance- specific families with continued low attendance and poor punctuality, focusing particularly on term-time holidays.
3	Social and emotional issues for pupils due to challenging circumstances at home.
4	Access to additional educational activities such as swimming, trips, visitors to school.
5	Access to additional activities such as playing an instrument.

Intended outcomes

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

Intended outcome	Success criteria
Children to achieve age related expectations at the end of the academic year in reading, writing and maths.	Whole school projected outcomes for 2025-2026 reviewed in red and 2026-2027 projections in blue. 88% of Reception children to achieve GLD. 88% 88% of Reception children to achieve GLD. 63% Y1 children to pass phonics screening 75% Y1 children to pass phonics screening 88% Y1 children to pass phonics screening 60% Y2 children to be expected in reading 64% Y2 children to be expected in reading 60% Y2 children to be expected in reading 60% Y2 children to be expected in writing 64% Y2 children to be expected in writing 53% Y2 children to be expected in writing 75% Y2 children to be expected in Maths 79% Y2 children to be expected in Maths 60% Y2 children to be expected in maths Y6 children to be expected in reading 75% Y6 children to be expected in reading 81% Y6 children to be expected in reading 67% Y6 children to be expected in writing 81% Y6 children to be expected in writing 75% Y6 children to be expected in writing 67% 75% Y6 children to be expected in maths Y6 children to be expected in maths 56% Y6 children to be expected in maths 60%

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Pupil Premium children to have high attendance in school.	Children with an average attendance below 90% will attend school more regularly and these families feel supported by the school to improve attendance levels. All pupils attend school on time.

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 £17,533

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Additional Year 5/6 teacher/s enable all children to be taught in Year Group classes for reading, writing and maths.	Pupils will make accelerated progress due to working in smaller groups and being taught single year group maths. Children will receive high levels of individual feedback. Misconceptions will be identified and addressed quickly.	1
Additional TA's will support Year group teaching of reading, writing and maths in KS2.	Pupils will make accelerated progress due to working in smaller groups and being taught single year group maths. Children will receive high levels of individual feedback. Misconceptions will be identified and addressed quickly.	1
Phonics Training and purchase of additional resources	KS1/ Reception teachers teach phonics systematically, following a clear progression. Children quickly acquire reading skills and this is highlighted in the year 1 phonics screening outcomes and the key stage 2 reading results for expected and greater depth. Focussed assessment enables 'gaps' to be identified quickly.	1

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

Budgeted cost £13,363

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Close the Gap activities planned by class teacher.	Careful use of assessment pinpoints specific gaps which are then planned for. Pupils close gaps in learning and make accelerated progress.	1
Teaching Assistants to carry out small group and one to one interventions.	Pupils close gaps in learning and make accelerated progress.	1
Teaching assistants and teachers pre-tutor identified pupils prior to lessons.	Pupils make progress in all curriculum areas.	1

Teaching Assistants are able to support small groups and individual children during whole class teaching activities.	Pupils make progress in all curriculum areas.	1
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Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing)

Budgeted cost £10,864

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Pupils have the opportunity to learn to play an instrument.	Pupils have access to wider opportunities in line with their peers.	5
Counselling services offered to identified children.	Pupils are able to process emotional issues and develop strategies for coping. Pupils are able to concentrate more effectively in class.	3
Access to trips and wider curriculum opportunities.	Pupils have access to a wide range of activities within and beyond the curriculum experience to enhance their cultural capital	4
Access to swimming lessons and additional sporting activities paid for.	Pupils have access to additional learning that enables them to be safe and healthy.	4
Head teacher and named office staff member to monitor weekly the attendance/punctuality levels of pupils. Parents of pupils with low attendance or are persistently late are invited to a meeting and supported with increasing their child's attendance and punctuality levels.	Children with high levels of attendance are able to make good progress due to thorough curriculum access. Pupils with high attendance are able to access additional support and bespoke intervention where needed.	2

Total budgeted cost: £40680

Part B: Review of the previous academic year – 2024-2025

Outcomes for disadvantaged pupils

Due to COVID-19, performance measures have not been published for 2020 to 2021, and 2021 to 2022 results will not be published. Given this, please point to any other pupil evaluations undertaken during the 2020 to 2021 and 2021 and 2022 academic years, for example, standardised teacher administered tests or diagnostic assessments such as rubrics or scales.

If last year marked the end of a previous pupil premium strategy plan, what is your assessment of how successfully the intended outcomes of that plan were met?

- Teaching and learning reading outcomes:

Reading:

Reception

88% of the Reception children achieved GLD compared to the 54% aspirational target. The school's performance was above the national average.

50% of the pupil premium children in Reception achieved GLD in reading (1/2).

KS1

64% of year 2 children achieved at least expected in reading.

66% of pupil premium children in KS1 achieved at least expected in reading.

KS2

81% of the year 6 children achieved at least expected in reading compared to the national average of 75%. The school's performance was above the national average.

66% of the pupil premium children in year 6 achieved expected in reading. (4/6)

Writing:

Reception

88% of the Reception children achieved GLD The school's performance was above the national average.

50% of the pupil premium children in Reception achieved GLD in writing.

KS1

64% of the year 2 children achieved at least expected in writing.

66% of the pupil premium children in year 2 achieved expected in writing.

KS2

75% of the year 6 children achieved at least expected in writing compared to the national average of 73%. The school's performance was close to average..

83% of the year 6 pupil premium children achieved at least expected in writing.

Maths:**Reception**

88% of the Reception children achieved GLD The school's performance was above the national average,

50% of pupil children achieved GLD in maths.

KS1

79% of the year 2 children achieved at least expected in maths.

66% of the pupil premium children in year 2 achieved expected in maths.

KS2

56% of the year 6 children achieved at least expected in maths compared to the national average of 75%. The school's performance was below the national average.

33% of the year 6 pupil premium children achieved at least expected in maths.

Phonics:**Year 1**

75% of the year 1 children passed the year 1 phonics screening. The school's performance was close to average.

0% of the year 1 pupil premium children passed the phonics screening test.

Other priorities reviewed

Priority 1 Ensure that all staff (including staff new to KS1 and EYFS) have received the relevant phonics training to teach phonics effectively and that early language interventions assist in closing the gap. Ensure that phonics assessment is accurate and regular, supported by Phonics Tracker programme. This priority has been achieved and all teachers and TA's have received up to date phonics training.

Priority 2 Ensure that children develop vocabulary and improve reading comprehension. This priority has been achieved and developing children's vocabulary understanding remains a priority. The creation of the Granular Knowledge documents contain vocabulary progressions.

Priority 3 Close the Gap (CTG) provision runs each week. It is reviewed every six weeks.

Bespoke support is in place to improve academic outcomes for all PP pupils

This priority has been fully achieved and CTG's have been delivered and the impact reviewed.

This objective has been fully achieved: P/P outcomes-Reading 77% expected and 18% GDS, writing 72% expected and 13% GDS and maths 79% expected and 14% GDS.

Priority 4 Additional teacher to enable small classes in Upper KS2 where there are a high number of PP pupils with additional needs. P/P outcomes-0% of upper KS2 P/P pupils achieved at least expected in R/W/M.

Priority 5 Disadvantaged pupils to have equal access to wider learning opportunities including swimming lessons, educational trips, music lessons and residential trips

This priority was achieved and the Pupil Premium children had increased opportunities to learn to swim, attend educational trips and learn an instrument. 8 P/P children accessed regular counselling sessions and there will be ELSA sessions next year.

Priority 6 Disadvantaged pupils to have access to a full range of behaviour and emotional support services.

This priority was achieved because Pupil Premium children gained support from the school counsellor and ELSA next year.

Externally provided programmes

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you used your pupil premium (or recovery premium) to fund in the previous academic year.

Programme	Provider
National Tutoring Programme	Internal

Service pupil premium funding (optional)

<i>For schools that receive this funding, you may wish to provide the following information: How our service pupil premium allocation was spent last academic year</i>
Not applicable
The impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils

Not applicable

Further information (optional)

Use this space to provide any further information about your pupil premium strategy. For example, about your strategy planning, or other activity that you are implementing to support disadvantaged pupils, that is not dependent on pupil premium or recovery premium funding.