



Abbots Langley School

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Pupil Premium

This policy was reviewed and updated in *January 2017*

Next review date: *January 2018*

Background to the Pupil Premium

The Pupil Premium is a government grant which is allocated to schools based on the number of pupils on roll who are either: looked after children, children of service personnel, children registered for free school meals or children who have been registered for free school meals within the last 6 years. The grant was introduced in 2011 and the amount allocated per student in 2016-17 is £1320. The purpose of the grant is to support schools in ensuring that children who may be disadvantaged achieve and attain in line with their peers.

Our Rationale

Abbots Langley School acknowledges the responsibility for 'socially disadvantaged' pupils and we are committed to meeting their pastoral, social and academic needs within our school. We are committed to 'narrowing the gap' between vulnerable pupils and the Pupil Premium funding forms a vital part of that process. Our approach the Pupil Premium through the following principles:

- A whole school approach with all members of staff being empowered and accountable for our pupil premium pupils.
- There should be no gap in progress or attainment between pupil premium pupils and non-pupil premium pupils.
- Pupil premium funds will be ring fenced to directly benefit and target pupil premium pupils, they will be specifically tailored to meet their individual needs and the provision will include ways which are in addition to and different from other intervention programmes as required.
- Pupil premium is a key focus of teaching and learning and plays a crucial part in planning, monitoring and assessment.
- Support from our pastoral team (Family Support Worker and Learning Mentor) to ensure pupils' emotional wellbeing needs are being met.
- Direct involvement by all stakeholders including our Pupil Premium Link Governor – Mrs Jo Fewster



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Provision is made through:

- Enabling pupils' access to education;
- Enabling pupils' access to the curriculum;
- Alternative support and intervention within the school environment.

The targeted and strategic use of Pupil Premium funding will support us in achieving our vision of accelerating progress and moving children to at least age-related expectations in English and Mathematics.