# **Pupil premium strategy statement 2020-2021**

The staff and governors of The Avenue Infant School are fully aware of their responsibility and committed to ensuring that 'socially disadvantaged' pupils achieve their potential. We aim to meet the social, pastoral and academic needs through a range of measures. Ultimately The Avenue Infant School is committed to diminishing the difference between these pupils and their peers. The pupil premium funding is a vital mechanism to achieving this.

Staff and governors ensure the funding is deployed to meet the needs of each and every eligible pupil. This will be through a tiered approach, as recommended by the EEF, namely using pupil premium funding to improve teaching, provide targeted academic support and for wider strategies. The manner in which this is achieved will vary from cohort to cohort and individual to individual. Support will ensure that pupils supported by this funding are enabled to make the best possible academic progress but the school and governors also recognise that pastoral and emotional support may well be vital for some pupils to ensure that they are 'ready to learn' and achieve the most from school life. Thus pupils' social and emotional well-being is essential to maximise academic progress.

Following school closure due to the COVID-19 pandemic during 2020, this plan will also need to be read alongside the school's Catch-Up Plan which maps out how the school intends to catch-up pupils whose learning or well-being has been negatively impacted by the disruption in their education. This Catch-Up plan includes accounting for the planned spending of the Catch-Up Funding. DfE evidence suggests 'disadvantaged' pupils are likely to have been more severely impacted than other pupils. Thus, the Pupil Premium Spending plan and Catch-Up Plan will overlap and often, but not necessarily, be addressing the needs of the same pupils. Where this is the case there will be a distinction made between pupil premium support and catch-up support (in record keeping) however this distinction should not be onerous or artificial as both plans aim to achieve the same outcome, of closing the attainment gap.

The governing body reserve the right to allocate pupil premium funding to other pupil(s) the school has legitimately identified as being socially disadvantaged. This will be on an exceptional basis.

#### **Reporting Pupil Premium**

The Avenue Infant School will publish detailed of pupil premium expenditure and its impact annually on the school website and this will be shared with parents. The report will include the impact of the spending on the attainment and progress of the pupils supported by this funding. The report will also outline the progress made towards narrowing the gap, including school data.

Regular reports will also be presented to the governing body of The Avenue Infant School. These reports will evaluate the impact of the funding throughout the year and make adjustments to provision as needed.

#### **Reporting to Parents**

Parents will be able to obtain information on pupil premium spending via the annual report on the school's website.

#### Responsibility for reporting

The Headteacher will be responsible for reporting. Other staff who provide interventions and support will contribute to the report, providing information on the success of the intervention and its impact.

1. Summary information							
School	The Avenue	Infant School					
Academic Year	2020-2021	Total PP budget	£42,806	Date of most recent PP Review	April 2016		
Total number of pupils	180	Number of pupils eligible for PP	27	Date for next internal review of this strategy	September 2021		

2. Attainment End of academic year 2019-2020 (EXS= Expected Standards, GDS= Greater Depth Standard)								
	Pupils eligible for PP (school)	All pupils (school)	Pupils not eligible for PP (national average)		Pupils eligible for PP (school)	All pupils (school)		
% reaching EXS+ in Reading	NO DA	NO DATA DUE TO COVID-19 CLOSURE % reaching GDS in Reading NO DATA DUE TO COVID-19 CLOSURE						
% reaching EXS+ in Writing				% reaching GDS in Writing				
% reaching EXS+ in Maths				% reaching GDS in Maths				

3. Barrie	3. Barriers to future attainment (for pupils eligible for PP) 2020-2021					
In-school b	-school barriers (issues to be addressed in school, such as poor oral language skills)					
Α.	Many pupils start Reception with poor basic speech and language skills and limited experience of stories / books and creative play. The lack of these early skills means vocabulary and understanding is restricted which negatively impacts on the development of pupils' reading and writing skills as well as talk skills to learn across the wider curriculum.					
В.	Phonic reading skills are low for some children eligible for PP funding across FS and Y1.					
C.	Some PP children across the school have gaps in learning in reading, writing and maths which has been exacerbated by the closure due to COVID-19. Pupils do not always understand what they are doing well and what their next steps are.					
Extern	al barriers (issues which also require action outside school, such as low attendance rates)					
D.	Attendance for disadvantaged pupils was 94.2% in 2018-2019 and has historically been below the target of 96% for all pupils. This reduces school hours and causes pupils to fall behind / reduces opportunities to accelerate progress. Pupils also tend to have less access to enrichment / extra-curricular experiences out of school.					
E.	Pupils' well-being is adversely affected by their disadvantaged home life, leading to social and emotional difficulties. When some pupils' start school they are not school-ready in terms of their social and emotional needs.					

4.	Desired outcomes (Desired outcomes and how they will be measured)	Success criteria
A	Provision for Communication and Language, developing early talk have accelerated progress for all PP pupils, and especially in Reception and Year 1.	Progress in Communication and Language, Reading and Writing is strong (better than expected) so attainment gaps are closing for each cohort. In school monitoring demonstrates communication skills and vocabulary are developing rapidly so pupils are more readily able to engage in the wider curriculum.
Desi	red outcomes (Desired outcomes and how they will be measured)	Success criteria
В	The relatively new phonics programme accelerates progress in phonic skills, early reading and fluency so any lost learning time during the COVID-19 closure is made up.	Close the attainment gap of pupils eligible for PP funding who pass phonics screening compared with non PP pass rate in school. At least 75% of Y1 PP children pass Phonics screening check.
Desi	red outcomes (Desired outcomes and how they will be measured)	Success criteria
С	To close any current gaps in knowledge via effective on-the-spot feedback, targeted support and interventions to enable accelerated progress.	All children given the opportunity to reach national expectations and above. PP children meet their targets in Reading, Writing and Maths. Gaps to national outcomes are reduced compared to 2018-2019 outcomes at EYFSP and end of KS1. Any historic attainment difference in attainment between PP and non-PP pupils is reduced (for that cohort).
Desi	red outcomes (Desired outcomes and how they will be measured)	Success criteria
D	Ensure pupils are attending school regularly, are ready to learn and have the same extra-curricular opportunities as all pupils.  (N.B. extra-curricular clubs are not being running initially in 2020-2021 due to COVID-19 restrictions but this will be reviewed and clubs restarted as soon as restrictions allow)	Reduce persist absence and number of lates among PP pupils; attendance to be at least 95% and persistent absence at no more than 8% for PP. Tracking shows improvements for PP pupils with lower attendance over the academic year. PP pupils to have funding to support school uniform purchase and extra-curricular clubs.
Desi	red outcomes (Desired outcomes and how they will be measured)	Desired outcomes (Desired outcomes and how they will be measured)
E	For pupils to manage their social, emotional and learning behaviour to enable accelerated progress and higher attainment at the end of each academic year.	Pupils demonstrate positive learning behaviours and respond to interventions for emotional and social issues; well-being measure shows progress for case study pupils. Data shows that PP pupils with social and emotional issues have made good or better progress at all assessment due to appropriate interventions.

## 1. Planned expenditure

Academic year 2020-2021

The three headings below enable schools to demonstrate how they are using the Pupil Premium to improve classroom pedagogy, provide targeted support and support whole school strategies

### i. Quality of teaching for all

Desired outcome	Chosen action / approach	What is the evidence and rationale for this	How will you ensure it is implemented well?	Staff lead	When will you review
A. Provision for Communication and Language, developing early talk have accelerated progress for all PP pupils, and especially in Reception and Year 1.	Implement a talk-rich curriculum that celebrates developing vocabulary and prioritises oracy opportunities in all subjects. Teaching strategies also focus on explicit teaching, particularly 'principles of instruction' to ensure talk is prioritised.  Nuffield Early Language Programme participation (if accepted)	Oral language interventions / focus = +5months EEF toolkit	Termly monitoring timetable actions by SLT and governors and reported back to Standards and Quality Committee and FGB.	HT, EYFS lead, English and Subject leaders	December 2020, March 2021, July 2021
B. Embed the RWI phonics programme to accelerates progress in phonic skills, early reading and fluency.	Whole staff refresher training and new staff complete training via Online training subscription. Phonics interventions for Y1 PP pupils to 'keep up' rather than catch up. (Online training subscription part funded by PP budget £600)	Phonics approach to reading = +4 months Reading Comprehension strategies = +6months EEF toolkit	Reading lead available for regular coaching and side-by-side teaching of all staff. Termly learning walk and review by Reading lead and SLT (or governor where possible) (including data / progress analysis- groups comparison, lesson drop ins, pupil voice) to Standards and Quality Committee and FGB.	Reading lead, HT	December 2020, March 2021, July 2021
C. To close any current gaps in knowledge via effective on-the-spot feedback, targeted support and interventions to enable accelerated progress.	Review Marking and Feedback policy and trial new policy, monitoring consistency across the school by all teaching staff. Feedback to pupils supported by PP funding is immediate, specific and clear.	Feedback = +8 months EEF toolkit	Regular monitoring by SLT through learning walks and drop ins, looking at pupils books for evidence of impact of feedback. Staff training and reflection opportunities to upskill staff and develop consistency across the school.	SLT	December 2020, March 2021, July 2021
	1	I	Total bu	dgeted cost	£600

ii. Targeted support	ii. Targeted support						
Desired outcome	Chosen action / approach	What is the evidence and	How will you ensure it is implemented well?	Staff lead	When will you		
C. To close any current gaps in knowledge via effective on-the-spot feedback, targeted support and interventions to enable accelerated progress.	HLTA time to provide:  20 day challenge- individual focused targets are worked on with a TA on a daily basis for 20 school days. Support resources / ideas are shared with parents / carer.  Pre-teaching to arm children with vocabulary / introduction to key concepts to enable engagement and progress in class lessons  Additional 1-1 reading session each week with focus on comprehension (reading as a reader and reading as a writer skills from Talk for Writing principles)  HLTA hours £13,720	Individualised instruction = +3 months, 1-1 tuition = +5 months, parental engagement = +3 months EEF toolkit- 20 day challenge for PP pupils. Research shows that when children are given short, 1-1 input on a consistent, regular basis about targets in their learning, they make rapid progress in a short space of time, and this progress is sustainable after the 20 day period.  Small group tuition = +4 months EEF toolkit	Monitoring (records check, learning walk and book look) will be carried out by SLT (and PP governor if possible) on a termly basis. Termly PP review meetings will be held with SLT, class teachers and PP governor to discuss individual progress and provision. Feedback will be presented to the Standards and Quality committee and the FGB.	PP lead English leads Maths lead	December 2020, March 2021, July 2021		
C. To close any current gaps in knowledge via effective on-the-spot feedback, targeted support and interventions to enable accelerated progress.	Provide weekly targeted intervention sessions to identified PP pupils in reading, writing and maths Precision teaching, Dough disco, maths, phonics catch up 2 x weekly sessions as identified in termly meetings (subject and pupil changes due to data analysis / reviews)  Costs combined with above	Small group tuition = +4 months EEF toolkit	Termly monitoring by SENCO and PP lead (including data, work scrutiny, observations and pupil voice) to ensure that the correct PP children are chosen for intervention, quality of deliver and evaluation of progress in PP review meetings each term and pupil progress meetings. Reviews will inform changes to be made to current provision.	SENCO, PP lead	December 2020, March 2021, July 2021		

A. Provision for Communication and	Well-being and communication teacher – weekly group sessions to develop language and	Oral language interventions = +5	Termly monitoring (data, well-being	PP lead	December 2020,
Language, developing early talk have accelerated progress for all PP pupils, and especially in Reception	communication skills, alongside self-confidence and self-esteem  £600	months, Social and Emotional learning = +4 months EEF toolkit. Specialist intervention to	measures, pupil voice)  PP review meetings each term and pupil progress meetings.		2020, March 2021, July 2021
and Year 1.		improve language and communication skills,			
C. To close any current gaps in knowledge via effective on-the-spot feedback, targeted support and interventions to enable accelerated progress.	Due to COVID-19 restrictions this action cannot be implemented initially, this will be regularly reviewed and started once restrictions allow.  Homework club for PP pupils- offered to PP pupils in KS1. Year 1 and 2 PP pupils will benefit from the opportunity to complete homework, with access to digital technology, in a supportive, small group environment.  £0 Staffing	Homework (Primary) = +2months, Extending school time= +2 months, Small group tuition = +4 months EEF toolkit	Termly data and well-being measured. Improved learning behaviour evident in class.	PP lead	March 2021, July 2021
Total budgeted cost					

iii. Other approa	iii. Other approaches							
Desired outcome	Chosen action / approach	What is the evidence and rationale for this choice?	How will you ensure it is implemented well?	Staff lead	When will			
C. To close any current gaps in knowledge via effective on-the-spot feedback, targeted support and interventions to enable accelerated progress.	Home library – provide key class books for PP pupils to take home. Resources to support the needs / aspirations of individual PP pupils £600	Parental engagement = +3 months, reading comprehension strategies = +6 months EEF toolkit. PP will benefit from books to take home to develop their own library of books at home- to encourage parental involvement with reading and developing pupils' reading skills and reading for pleasure.	Data drop 3x a year Pupil voice	PP lead	December 2020, March 2021, July 2021			

E. For pupils to manage	Additional hours for Family Support Worker	Social and Emotional learning = +4	Well-being scores.	FSW and HT	December
their social, emotional	to support pupils and their families	months, Parental engagement = +3	Pupil voice and parent feedback. Track	/ PP lead	2020, March
and learning behaviour	according to need	months EEF toolkit. Family Support	engagement and review need at		2021, July
to enable accelerated	£15,500	Worker will be available to PP pupils	termly PP review meetings or as		2021
progress and higher		for individual support programmes	required.		
attainment at the end		such as 'Protective Behaviours' and			
of each academic year.		'Drawing and Talking'. Such			
		support is proven to improve well-			
		being and self-esteem. FSW			
		support of PP families would			
		improve parental involvement.			
D. Ensure pupils are	Breakfast club- subsidised places / staffing	Extending the school day= +2	Attendance is monitored weekly and	PP lead /	December
attending school	£3,412	months EEF toolkit. Wrap around	termly trends are analysed. Breakfast	Attendance	2020, March
regularly, are ready to		care eases the pressure of some	club subsidised places should help	Officer	2021, July
learn and have the		families (both financially and	support good attendance rates for		2021
same extra-curricular		organisationally). Pupils also	these pupils		
opportunities as all		benefit from a calm, social start to			
pupils.		the school day and a good			
		breakfast.			
D. Ensure pupils are	Vouchers for enrichment clubs and	Extending the school day +2	Tracking spreadsheet of clubs uptake	School	December
attending school	subsidised uniform	months, Sports participation +2	Termly well-being and involvement	Business	2020, March
regularly, are ready to	£2,200	months EEF toolkit Parents / carers	measures. Tracking extra-curricular	Manager	2021, July
learn and have the		of PP pupils (currently FSM) will be	engagement at termly PP review	(SBM) /	2021
same extra-curricular	Initially vouchers to the value of £50 per	given a £100 voucher to redeem	meetings.	Bursar	
opportunities as all	pupil for uniform only until COVID-19	against extra-curricular clubs of			
pupils.	restrictions allow clubs to be run.	their choice or for school uniform.			
		Pupils will have improved well-			
		being and sense of belonging and			
		readiness for learning by having the			
	1	same uniform as others.	1	i	1

D. Ensure pupils are	Subsidised school trips	Outdoor Adventure learning= +3	Termly well-being measures. Tracking	SBM, PP	March 2021
attending school	£600	months EEF toolkit Pupils will have	extra-curricular engagement at termly	lead	
regularly, are ready to		access to the same curriculum	PP review meetings.		
learn and have the		enrichment opportunities as their			
same extra-curricular		peers and not be penalised due to			
opportunities as all		any family financial hardship			
pupils.					
	Subsidising Universal Free School Meals for	Required funding for UIFSM for	Finance visits / audits	SBM	March 2021
	PP children	those pupils eligible for PP funding	Governor review		
	£6,000				
Total budgeted cost					£28,312
TOTAL					£43,232