Consett Infant School Pupil Premium Strategy Statement 2022/23

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2022 to 2023 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	Consett Infant School
Number of pupils in school	160
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	26%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers	2022~2023
Date this statement was published	October 2022
Date on which it will be reviewed	January 2023 March 23 July 23
Statement authorised by	Julia Graham
Pupil premium lead	Julia Graham
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Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£ 66,215
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year (including Tutoring Funding)	£ 3843
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£70,058

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

At Consett Infant School we see the raising of attainment for disadvantaged children as part of our commitment to help all children achieve their full potential by:

- Promoting an ethos of attainment of all children rather than stereotyping disadvantaged children as a group with less potential to succeed.
- Having individualised approaches to address barriers to learning at an early stage through intervention.
- Focusing on high quality teaching and effective deployment of staff to support disadvantaged children.
- Make decisions based on detailed data analysis and responding to evidence.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	The majority of pupils who are eligible for Pupil Premium do not enter Reception at age related-expectations; communication and language is exceptionally poor. This means they need to make more progress than their peers to catch up.
2	Emotional resilience and well- being of pupils eligible for pupil premium is low compared to their peers. This can affect their ability to concentrate on academic activities, especially when working with others or when tasks are challenging.
3	Due to low starting points in verbal communication and language, some Year 1 disadvantaged pupils struggle to meet the phonics standard at the end of the year 1 and 2. This slows their progress in reading and all curriculum areas that demand effective reading strategies.
4	All children need high quality teaching and feedback to ensure they make progress and develop appropriate skills and knowledge.
5	Low attendance rates for some Pupil Premium children impacts on their learning. This means they are constantly having to catch up to their peers. Persistent absentees are particularly high for PP children.
6	Less engagement in supporting children to read at home means staff have to ensure there are opportunities in school to support and value reading.

7	Many pupils do not have access to additional opportunities that are needed to provide a rounded education and that would raise aspirations
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	for the future. This means they have a poor range of experiences to
	draw upon and apply to many areas of their education.

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
Pupils eligible for Pupil Premium in EYFS make rapid progress in all areas to meet national expectations.	A higher proportion of Pupil Premium children meet a Good Level of Development than in 2022.
Improve emotional resilience for all pupils through use of EW TA support and intervention. Pupils and key family members have access to a trained councillor to offer sessions to support their mental wellbeing, self-esteem and aspirations.	Lesson observations will demonstrate pupils' positive attitudes to learning and good behaviours.
Y1 and Y2 phonics resits confirm that increased proportions of disadvantaged pupils meet the standard.	% of PP pupil meeting the expected standard in phonics improves from 2022.
Provide children with high quality teaching and feedback in smaller groups to ensure progress in lessons. Pupils have access to focussed intervention in all subjects delivered by experienced teachers and TAs, as well as focussed resources in order to close the gap with non-disadvantaged pupils	Increased proportions of pupils will reach ARE in English and Maths across the school.
Reduce the number of persistent absentees.	% of persistent absentees is at least in line with National Average. There are increased attendance rates for Pupil Premium children.
Increase engagement with parents to support home reading. Provide increased opportunities in school to support and enthuse a love of reading.	By the end of the academic year, attainment in reading for all pupils improves across the whole school compared to standardised assessment in summer 2022.

Ensure PP pupils receive a broad and balanced curriculum with opportunities to in school activities that their parents may be unable or unwilling to help their child access.

PP pupils have access to learning opportunity to attend school external visits, Forest school sessions and wellbeing activities.

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)

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Staff and Reading lead to receive training from the English Hub to develop phonic and reading comprehension skills alongside word recognition and decoding using motivating texts.	Evidence shows that reading requires two broad skills – word recognition and language comprehension. The use of both skills improves fluency and understanding of texts. In addition, progress in reading requires children to be motivated and engaged by use of enjoyable texts. EEF toolkit: Improving Literacy in Key Stage 1. Additional three to four months progress	£1200 - 6 days supply cover JS
Staff to deliver Little Wandle phonics scheme to ensure consistency in this approach to phonics across the school. English lead to monitor and support this development	Overall, the evidence base related to phonics is very secure. There have been a number of studies, reviews and meta-analyses that have consistently found that the systematic teaching of phonics is beneficial. There is some evidence that approaches informed by synthetic phonics (where the emphasis is on sounding out letters and blending sounds to form words) may be more beneficial than analytic approaches (where the sound/symbol relationship is inferred from identifying patterns and similarities by comparing several words). Little Wandle is a DfE accredited systematic synthetic phonics programme EEF toolkit: Phonics - additional 4 month progress.	£1200 - 6 days supply cover JS

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

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Implement Nuffield Early Language	On average, children who are involved in communication and language approaches make	1
Intervention with targeted YR children	approximately six months' additional progress over the course of a year. All children appear to	£3900

across the year using a teaching apprentice to enhance staffing levels.	benefit from such approaches, but some studies show slightly larger effects for children from disadvantaged backgrounds. A 2016 randomised controlled trial found a positive impact of four months' additional progress for the Nuffield Early Language Intervention. EEF toolkit: Communication and language approaches - additional 6 months progress NELI - additional 10 months progress	
Interventions planned by teacher and led by teacher or TA using key resources across Literacy and numeracy for all year groups – evidence in Pupil Progress meeting document	The average impact of the deployment of teaching assistants is about an additional four months' progress over the course of a year. Research which focuses on teaching assistants who provide one to one or small group targeted interventions shows a stronger positive benefit of between four and six additional months on average. EEF toolkit: Teaching Assistant Interventions	4 £34,200
A supply teaching assistant familiar to our school will be tasked to provide tuition for five afternoons per week to support reading skills. (School Led Tutoring Grant to pay 75% of costs)	Short, regular sessions (about 30 minutes five times a week) over a set period of time (six to twelve weeks) appear to result in optimum impact. Evidence also suggests tuition should be additional to, but explicitly linked with, normal teaching, and that teachers should monitor progress to ensure the tutoring is beneficial. A variability in findings may suggest it is the particular type or quality of teaching enabled by very small groups that is important, rather than the precise size of the group. EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit: Small group tuition - additional 4 months progress	4 Jeannie £8500

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

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
A well-being TA and School Councillor to have specific time set	Overall, it is clear that reducing challenging behaviour and low emotional well-being in schools can have a direct and lasting effect on	2, 5
aside to support children with challenging behaviour	pupils' learning. This is based on a number of meta-analyses that review robust studies of interventions in schools.	£7392 £5195
and low emotional well- being/resilience	EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit: Behaviour Interventions - additional 3 months progress	

Continue to employ a Parent Support Adviser to support the school business manager to monitor and implement strategies to improve attendance.	Parental engagement has a positive impact on average of 4 months' additional progress. EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit: Parental Engagement – additional 4 months progress	5 £680 £4387.50
Free Breakfast Club for PP children with poor attendance		£1900
Pupils across school have access to a wider range of experiences and opportunities that are needed to provide a rounded education and that raise aspirations for the future. These include: Commando Joe sessions an organised theatre visit to school	Pupils would be unable to access specialist sessions designed to improve their confidence, investigative skills and knowledge and understanding of the world. Their access to the outdoors is limited to the town of Consett. PP pupils will expand their horizons beyond their own locality and experience different environments to enrich their understanding of the wider community Pupils do not have the opportunity to attend the theatre and experience this enriching, cultural experience, adding to their cultural capital.	£2658 (Commando Joe) £200.00 (theatre visit to school)

Service pupil premium funding (optional)

For schools that receive this funding, you may wish to provide the following information:

Measure	Details
How did you spend your service pupil premium allocation last academic year?	N/A
What was the impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils?	N/A

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 2022 to 2023 academic year.

Activity	Summer 2022 Evaluation
Teaching Priorities	 Little Wandle training completed by all staff and all are confident to deliver this SSP scheme from September 2022. Resources organised and dispersed to staff, including planning and assessment files. Commando Joe training completed by all staff. Meeting with PE coach to organise programme to deliver this across school to begin in Sept 2022. PP children given additional support both before and after school each day made above average progress with reading.
Targeted Academic Support	 Nuffield project completed with YR children and data indicates that all have made good progress – data file Targeted intervention in place for English and Maths in all classes. Milestone sheet shows the vast majority of PP children make above expected progress from starting points. Any experiencing difficulties have been referred to the relevant teams – see CPoms School tutor completed three cycles of reading support with 32 children. Data analysis shows all children have made significant progress as a result
Wider Strategies	 School Councillor providing one to one support to children as requires – see evidence and children's voice on Cpoms Children with behavioural issues accessing a variety of play therapy with well-being TA. Incidents of poor behaviour have reduced this year. Evidence of the success of both the above strategies can be found via "Child's Voice" contribution on CPoms. Free breakfast club issued to 14 children to improve attendance – all increased their % from this offer being provided. Forest school sessions completed for all year groups

Standardised assessments completed in July 2022 indicate that a smaller % of PP children reached age related expectation than other children by July 2022. However, internal data shows that the vast majority of PP children made above expected progress across the academic year – see figures below.

Year Group % making ab expected pro in Reading		
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	PP	Others	PP	Others	PP	Others	
YR	69%	87%	77%	78%	84%	90%	
Y1	89%	81%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Y2	100%	97%	90%	87%	86%	87%	

Externally provided programmes

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you purchased in the previous academic year. This will help the Department for Education identify which ones are popular in England

Programme	Provider

Further information (optional)

Include any additional funding or strategies used to support vulnerable pupils in school.

Part C: Governance – monitoring the effectiveness of the Pupil Premium Strategy

Governors are involved in evaluating our Pupil Premium Strategy termly. Please see below a brief summary of discussions about the effectiveness of the strategy to address the intended outcomes.

Autumn 2022 Evaluation			Committee Date		
Little Wandle SSP					31.1.23
% Sco	ores PP en	December 2021	December 2022		
0-10		64%	18%		
10-20		0%	64%		
20-30		35%	18%		
30+		0%	0%		
•	expected progress with reading and writing skills				
	with communication difficulties				
•	 Parents of PP children with attendance less than 90% interviewed in school and support offered to improve this 				
•	 Family support advisor actively supporting PP families to access emergency fund, foodbanks, toys for Christmas, mental health support for parents, parenting skills etc 				

Activity		2023 Evaluation	Committee Date
% Scores PP children Year 1	December 2022	March 2023	28.3.23
0-10	18%	0%	
10-20	64%	12%	
20-30	18%	31%	
30+	0%	57%	

% Scores PP children Year 2	December 2022	March 2023
0-10	22%	0%
10-20	33%	0%
20-30	44%	0%
30+	0%	100%

- Governors discussed figures above that show PP children scoring above 20 on the
 phonic test assessment carried out with Y1 children previously in March is significantly
 higher than the previous year, showing the impact of the new scheme. The majority of
 Y1 PP children are on track to pass the phonics test in June (88%) and all on track to
 pass in Y2
- Tutoring programme has resulted in ten Y1 PP children making above expected progress with reading and writing skills. All are now on-track to pass the phonic screening tests from low starting points. Three PP children from Y2 have accessed the tutoring support and all three scored over 30 in the march assessment
- Training organised to support TA staff support children with communication difficulties.
 Staff understanding of how to support ASD children with their communication is being broadened. They are using sensory and environmental checklists to assess the needs of these children and identifying appropriate strategies to meet their needs
- Parents of PP children with attendance less than 90% interviewed in school and support offered to improve this
- Commando Joe activities delivered to Y1 and Y2 children and staff report that they have observed more skills of resilience with children during daily activities
- Family support advisor continues to support PP families to access emergency fund, foodbanks, creative food activities, mental health support for parents, parenting skills etc

Summer 2023 Evaluation			
% Phonic Screening Test Scores PP children Year 1	March 2023	July 2023	
0-10	0%	0%	
10-20	12%	0%	
20-30 30+	31%	12%	
30+	57%	88%	

% Phonic Screening Test Scores PP children Year 2	March 2023	July 2023
0-10	0%	0%
10-20	0%	0%
20-30	0%	0%
30+	100%	100%

- Little Wandle has impacted greatly on the progress of PP children within KS1.
 The majority of Y1 PP children passed the phonics test in June (88%) and 100% passed in Y2
- Tutoring programme has resulted in ten Y1 PP children making above expected progress with reading and writing skills. All Y1 children that accesses regular tutoring sessions across the academic year passed the phonic screening tests from low starting points. All three PP children from Y2 that accessed the tutoring support passed the phonic assessment

- Communication training delivered to SEND TAs has greatly increased their skills when supporting children with ASD and these children are making good progress.
 This will be rolled out to all staff next academic year.
- Commando Joe activities delivered to YR, Y1 and Y2 children and staff report that they
 have observed more skills of resilience with children during daily activities
- Family support advisor continues to support PP families to access emergency fund, foodbanks, creative food activities, mental health support for parents, parenting skills etc.
 Case studies illustrate the impact of this work on children's mental well-being and academic progress