# **Pupil premium strategy statement**



This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2023 to 2024 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	Rosehill Methodist Primary Academy
Number of pupils in school	374 R-Y6
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	50%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers	2021/2022 to 2024/2025
Date this statement was published	December 2023
Date on which it will be reviewed	September 2024
Statement authorised by	Gemma Yapp, Headteacher
Pupil premium lead	Liz Crosby, Deputy Headteacher
Governor / Trustee lead	Jean McManus, lead for disadvantaged pupils

# **Funding overview**

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£272, 085
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£29, 713
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£301, 798
If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	

# Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

# **Statement of intent**

Our intention is that all pupils, irrespective of their background or the challenges they face, make good progress and achieve high attainment in reading and across all other subject areas. The focus of our pupil premium strategy is to support disadvantaged pupils to achieve that goal, including progress for those who are already high attainers.

We will consider the challenges faced by vulnerable pupils, such as those who have a social worker are Looked After and are young carers. The activity we have outlined in this statement is also intended to support their needs, regardless of whether they are disadvantaged or not.

Ensuring all pupils have access to high-quality teaching is at the heart of our approach, with a focus on areas in which disadvantaged pupils require the most support. This is proven to have the greatest impact on closing the disadvantage attainment gap and at the same time will benefit the non-disadvantaged pupils in our school. Implicit in the intended outcomes detailed below, is the intention that non-disadvantaged pupils' attainment will be sustained and improved alongside progress for their disadvantaged peers.

Our strategy is also linked to wider school plans for education recovery.

Our approach will be responsive to common challenges and individual needs, rooted in robust diagnostic assessment, not assumptions about the impact of disadvantage. The approaches we have adopted complement each other to help pupils excel. To ensure they are effective we will:

- ensure all pupils are able to read fluently and with good understanding to enable them to access the breadth of the curriculum
- ensure disadvantaged pupils are challenged in the work that they are set
- act early to intervene at the point need is identified, including the use of small group and 1:1 tuition
- provide all teachers with high quality CPD to ensure pupils access effective quality first teaching
- enable pupils to look after their social and emotional wellbeing and to develop resilience
- provide opportunities for all pupils to participate in enrichment activities, sport, trips, residentials

# Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Assessments, observations, and discussions with pupils indicate underdeveloped oral language skills and vocabulary gaps among many disadvantaged pupils. These are evident from entry in nursery and reception through to KS2 and in general, are more prevalent among our disadvantaged pupils than their peers.
2	Assessments, observations, and discussions with pupils suggest disadvantaged pupils generally have greater difficulties with phonics than their peers. This negatively impacts their development as readers.
3	Our assessments and observations indicate that the education and wellbeing of many of our disadvantaged pupils have been impacted by partial school closures to a greater extent than for other pupils. These findings are supported by national studies.
	This has resulted in significant knowledge gaps leading to pupils falling further behind age-related expectations, especially in maths reading and writing.
4	Our assessments (including wellbeing survey), observations and discussions with pupils and families have identified social and emotional issues for many pupils. These challenges particularly affect disadvantaged pupils, including their behavior for learning and attainment
5	Our attendance data over the last year indicates that attendance among disad- vantaged pupils has been between 2-3% lower than for non-disadvantaged pu- pils.

# **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
Improved oral language skills and vocabulary among disadvantaged pupils.	Assessments and observations indicate significantly improved oral language among disadvantaged pupils. This is evident when triangulated with other sources of evidence, including engage- ment in lessons, book scrutiny and ongoing formative assess- ment.
Improved reading attainment among	Y1 Phonics assessment in 2024/25 shows that more than 86% of disadvantaged pupils met the expected standard.
disadvantaged pupils.	KS2 reading outcomes in 2024/25 show that more than 78% of disadvantaged pupils met the expected standard with more than 30% working at greater depth.
Improved maths attainment for disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS2.	KS2 maths outcomes in 2024/25 show that more than 80% of disadvantaged pupils met the expected standard, with more than 30% working at greater depth
To achieve and sustain	Sustained high levels of wellbeing from 2024/25 demonstrated by:
improved wellbeing for all pupils in our school, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.	<ul> <li>qualitative data from pupil voice, pupil and parent surveys and teacher observations</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>vast majority of pupils able to self- regulate and show greater resilience and confidence when facing new challenges</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>a significant increase in participation in enrichment activities, particularly among disadvantaged pupils</li> </ul>
To achieve and sustain improved attendance for all pupils, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.	<ul> <li>Sustained high attendance from 2024/25 demonstrated by:</li> <li>the overall absence rate for all pupils being no more than 4%, and the attendance gap between disadvantaged pupils and their non-disadvantaged peers being reduced by 1%.</li> </ul>

## 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: £ 258,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Purchase of standardised diagnostic assessments. Training for staff to ensure assessments are interpreted and administered correctly. Writing moderation with schools across the trust Y1-6 EYFS moderation across the trust	Standardised tests can provide reliable insights into the specific strengths and weaknesses of each pupil to help ensure they receive the correct additional support through interventions or teacher instruction: <u>Standardised tests   Assessing and Monitoring Pupil Progress  </u> <u>Education Endowment Foundation  </u> <u>EEF</u>	1, 2, 3, 4
Embedding dialogic activities across the school curriculum. These can sup- port pupils to articulate key ideas, con- solidate understanding and extend vo- cabulary. We will purchase resources and fund ongoing teacher training and release time.	There is a strong evidence base that suggests oral language interven- tions, including dialogic activities such as high-quality classroom dis- cussion, are inexpensive to imple- ment with high impacts on reading: <u>Oral language interventions   Toolkit</u> <u>Strand   Education Endowment</u> Foundation   EEF	1
Purchase of Read Write Inc Phonics Programme, including at least termly bespoke in school training provided by RWI advisors. This will provide a sys- tematic process to the teaching of Phonics, rapidly raising standards.	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base that indicates a positive impact on the accuracy of word reading (though not necessarily comprehension), particularly for disadvantaged pupils: <u>Phonics   Toolkit Strand   Education</u> <u>Endowment Foundation   EEF</u>	2
Further embed the Ready to Progress maths resources and Learning By Questions to enhance our maths teaching and curriculum planning in line with DfE and EEF guidance. We will fund teachers release time to embed key elements of guidance in	The DfE non-statutory guidance has been produced in conjunction with the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics, draw- ing on evidence-based approaches: <u>Maths_guidance_KS_1_and_2.pdf</u> (publishing.service.gov.uk)	3

school and to access Maths Hub re- sources and CPD (including Teaching for Mastery training).	The EEF guidance is based on a range of the best available evidence: Improving Mathematics in Key Stages 2 and 3	
Clear focus on times tables through planning daily teaching opportunities and the re-launch of TT Rockstars through a Rockstars Day and supse- quent weekly awards for improvements in speed and accuracy.		
Purchase of additional iPads to enable children to regularly access resources such as LBQ and TT Rockstars.		
Continue to develop Emotionally Friendly Schools to support our children with emotional health and well being.	There is extensive evidence associating childhood social and emotional skills with improved outcomes at school and in later life	5
Further Embed use of 'Social Stories', Colour and Mind Monsters with younger children and Zones of Regulation with older children.	(e.g., improved academic performance, attitudes, behaviour and relationships with peers): <u>EEF_Social_and_Emotional_Learnin</u> <u>g.pdf(educationendowmentfoundatio</u>	
Implement the Thrive Approach in order to effectively support children's social and emotional development through ef- fective assessment, early intervention and therapeutic support.	<u>n.org.uk)</u>	
Implement Mini-Minds Matter in order to support the mental health and well being of children. It incorporates mindfulness, affirmations, meditations and encour- ages a growth mindset.		
Celebration day with Rock Kidz in order to focus on respect, diversity and well- being.		
Project Chameleon through Global Po- licing provides workshops for Year 5 and 6 focusing on areas such as anti- social behaviour, domestic violence and community values.		

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

### Budgeted cost: £ 11, 698

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Purchase of programmes to improve listening, narrative and vocabulary skills for disadvantaged pupils who have relatively low spoken language skills. WELLCOM used in nursery NELLI used in reception Helicopter stories EYFS	Oral language interventions can have a positive impact on pupils' language skills. Approaches that focus on speaking, listening and a combination of the two show positive impacts on attainment: <u>Oral language interventions   EEF</u> (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	1,2,3, 4
Additional daily phonics sessions for all pupils in KS1. Additional phonics sessions targeted at disadvantaged pupils in KS2 who require further phonics support. This will be in the form of focused tuition in line with the Read Write Inc Phonics Programme, as well as daily 'phonics bursts' and phonics games (linked to the RWI programme).	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base indicating a positive impact on pupils, particularly from disadvantaged backgrounds. Targeted phonics interventions have been shown to be more effective when delivered as regular sessions over a period up to 12 weeks: <u>Phonics   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF</u>	2
Use assessment/observation data to identify pupils needing additional support. Engaging with the National Tutoring Programme to provide tuition for target pupils. whose education has been most impacted by the pandemic. A significant proportion of the pupils who receive tutoring will be disadvantaged, including those who are high attainers.	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling be- hind, both one-to-one: <u>One to one tuition   EEF (educationendow- mentfoundation.org.uk)</u> And in small groups: <u>Small group tuition   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF</u>	1,2,3

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

Budgeted cost: £ 32 760

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Review and implement the Mental Health and Wellbeing policy.	Both targeted interventions and universal approaches can have positive overall effects:	4
Training for SLT and identified staff so that they are fully equipped to support pupils with their mental health and well- being.		
Attendance and punctuality to continue to be high profile and driven through effective and consistent monitoring.	The DfE guidance has been informed by engagement with schools that have significantly reduced levels of absence and persistent absence.	5
Contingency fund for acute issues.	Based on our experiences and those of similar schools to ours, we have identified a need to set a small amount of funding aside to respond quickly to needs that have not yet been identified.	All

## Total budgeted cost: £301 798

# 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.

Assessments show that the percentage of disadvantaged children working at the expected standard across the curriculum is lower than non-disadvantaged children in the majority of classes and subjects. Quality first teaching and rapid identification and implementation of intervention and support will ensure that children are provided with opportunities to rapidly progress.

Attendance remains a key focus so that this continues to improve and that these improvements can be sustained over time. The soft start to the day (including a family style breakfast) has proven to be effective in promoting positive attendance and punctuality, as well as ensuring that children feel ready and prepared for the day. The appointment of a new Attendance Officer has provided a clearer focus and additional time dedicated to the role. The weekly reward of the monetary attendance prize was well received by the children. This will continue into the 23-24 academic year. Weekly winners are shared with parents and children, ensuring the prizes and focus on attendance remain high profile.

The development of our pastoral provision has enabled more children to access focused support in a calm and nurturing environment. This has had a positive impact and has ensured that there is swift identification and social and emotional support put in place. This will continue into the new academic year through the introduction of the Thrive Approach and Mini Minds Matter.

# Externally provided programmes

Programme	Provider
TT Rockstars	TT Rockstars
WELLCOMM	GL Assessment
MARK Analysis and Shine Interventions	Rising Stars
Power Maths	Pearson
Nessy	Nessy
Flashback Four	White Rose Maths
Cracking Comprehension	Rising Stars
Purple Mash	2Simple
Project Chameleon	Global Policing
Learning by Questions	LBQ
Mini Minds Matter	Mini Minds Matter UK
Read Write Inc	Ruth Miskin
Grammar Hammer	Assertive Mentoring
Thrive Approach	Thrive Approach
Numbots	Numbots
Reading Explorers	John Murray
1 Decision PSHCE	1 Decision