

## 2015 – 2016, Pupil Premium, Looked After Children and Service Children

Pupil Premium funding was introduced in April 2011. It is a grant paid to schools and academies by the DfE and is intended to address the underlying inequalities between children eligible for free school meals (FSM) and their peers by directing funding to the disadvantaged children who are in most need of it.

Pupil Premium funding is currently paid at the rate of £935 p/a for each eligible child. Looked After Children (LAC) and service children are also funded at £1900 and £300 p/a respectively. For the 2015 – 2016 academic year, 21% of the children in Years 7 – 11 at Sir Bernard Lovell Academy are eligible for this funding and we have received a total funding grant of £199,605 to address disadvantage for children in these categories.

Sir Bernard Lovell Academy has a core team of people responsible for the allocation of Pupil Premium funding led by a Vice Principal and a Pupil Premium Mentor for each of Key Stages 3 and 4. Additional staff including subject specialist teachers, a non – teaching mentor, House Assistants, Education Welfare Officer, Counsellor and SEN Achievement Coaches have a proportion of their time deployed to directly support Pupil Premium children. The majority of the academy's strategies to tackle disadvantage are designed to improve the attainment and progress of these children, for example:

- specialist support with reading, writing and calculating
- 1:1 and small group interventions
- Year 6 – 7 transition and subsequent engagement
- personalised support to address learning deficits
- holiday intervention programmes in core subjects

Approximately 20% of the total funding received by the academy is targeted at the provision of educational supplies and materials, off site course costs and the subsidy of educational trips and visits for children in receipt of the Pupil Premium grant.

The table below gives an illustrative breakdown of how Sir Bernard Lovell Academy allocates Pupil Premium funding for a sample child.

Strategy to tackle disadvantage	Percentage of funding allocation
Key Stage Mentor support	22%
1:1 and small group intervention	15%
Pastoral curriculum support	25%
Specialist support to address deficits	5%
Personalised intervention planning	2%
Support from external agencies	9%
Educational supplies and materials	22%

*(These figures are illustrative only. For example, the provision of SEN support or a non – teaching mentor at Key Stage 4 if needed are not shown and at 39% and 13% respectively change the balance of disbursement considerably).*

The Sir Bernard Lovell Academy has utilised Ofsted's Pupil Premium analysis and challenge tool, adopted the advice of Simon Rowe (HMI) and engaged an external audit of our funding allocation in order to improve outcomes for Pupil Premium children. In 2015 the academy reduced the attainment and progress gaps between Year 11 Pupil Premium children and their peers in every academic measure and also saw significant improvements in our exclusion figures. The table below summarises the progress we have made in the last year.

Year 11 Indicator	Gap between Pupil Premium and non – Pupil Premium children in 2014	Gap between Pupil Premium and non – Pupil Premium children in 2015
Attainment – 5+ A*-C passes including English and mathematics	-40.54%	-18.66%
Attainment – average points score in English	-6.81	-1.51
Attainment – average points score in mathematics	-11	-4.03
Achievement – expected progress in English	-29.14%	-0.51%
Achievement – more than expected progress in English	-11.2%	+5.91%
Achievement – expected progress in mathematics	-36.99%	-20.25%
Achievement – more than expected progress in mathematics	-26.66%	-3.09%
Achievement – value-added score (best eight GCSEs)	-60	-28.36

Sir Bernard Lovell Academy is committed to closing and then eradicating the gaps in attainment and progress caused by disadvantage.

A full breakdown of our funding allocation is presented below and further information about Pupil Premium funding can be obtained from:

[www.education.gov.uk/schools/pupilsupport/premium](http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/pupilsupport/premium)

Pupil Premium 2015-16, £199,605

Where the money is spent

£43,425: 2 Pupil Premium Mentors for Key Stages 3 and 4 work with all Pupil Premium students with a particular focus on reading, writing and calculating. 75% of their time is student facing

£10,000: A non – teaching mentor is allocated to Pupil Premium students to help with revision and organisation. The most vulnerable students are prioritised.

£22,406: An Achievement Coach is funded to work with the 60 Pupil Premium students with SEN

£29,082: Experienced teachers lead 1:1 and small group sessions to provide coaching for underachieving students and close attainment gaps

£23,948: House Assistants have a family liaison role and work together with the Attendance Officer to improve attendance rates for Pupil Premium students

£8,000: Specialist teacher support in maths and science to raise achievement and close the attainment gap

£8,000: Satellite Centre Manager, with a specific role to support Pupil premium students' strategies to improve behaviour and therefore outcomes

£3,500: Summer School to improve the transition between primary and secondary schools for pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium funding

£8,244: A counsellor and Education Welfare Officer to address the wellbeing needs of Pupil Premium students as required

£1,500: Quality Assurance of our educational provision for the 208 students in receipt of Pupil Premium funding

£1,000: Rapid Progress Group which meets fortnightly to monitor the progress being made by students in receipt of Pupil Premium funding

£16,000: Computer Equipment including existing lease and insurance commitments

£15,000: Off – site course costs to ensure that pupil premium students engage with an appropriate curriculum

£1,500: Transport costs for off – site courses

£1,000: Educational supplies such as pens, pencils, rulers, compasses and calculators to ensure all students have the basic kit they need to access the curriculum

£2,000: Educational visits to inspire students and help the reach aspiring ambitions

£4,000: Uniform and school clothing support

£1,000: Books and other publications to support improving achievement for students in receipt of Pupil Premium funding

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