

Wedmore First School Academy

Pupil Premium Statement

What is 'Pupil Premium' funding?

Pupil Premium funding is an annual allocation of funds from the Government given to schools across the country. Each school's funding allocation is calculated according to the number of pupils at the school who have been registered as eligible for 'free school meals' (FSM) in the last six years and for children who are 'Looked After' (LAC) for more than six months.

These funds are used to provide additional support and intervention for all students, but with a particular focus on those in receipt of FSM and those who are LAC. A key area where these funds are targeted is to ensure the continued personal, social and emotion progress of children as well as academic achievement.

What funding has Wedmore First School Academy received so far?

Funding is allocated within the financial year, rather than the school year.

Pupil Premium allocation year beginning April 2011: £ 5,413

Pupil Premium allocation year beginning April 2012: £4,754

Pupil Premium allocation year beginning April 2013: £ 10,596

How are the funds used?

The following list provides an overview of how Wedmore First School Academy uses the allocated funding to ensure all children (particularly those in receipt of FSM and those who are LAC) have the opportunity to 'narrow attainment gaps' and continue to develop good personal, social and emotional skills.

- One to one teaching to boost attainment in numeracy, reading and writing
- Additional group tuition to boost attainment in numeracy
- Additional teaching assistant hours to provide small group teaching to boost attainment in numeracy, reading and writing
- Purchase of additional resources for numeracy, reading and writing
- Additional group tuition to provide speech and language programmes, social and emotional language group work
- Funding for small group tuition in swimming and educational visits for some pupils to support personal, social and emotional development

What impact does the funding have on standards?

Impact of funding in academic year ending July 2013:

KS1:

- 100% of the children in receipt of pupil premium made expected progress in reading KS1 assessments
- 67% of the children in receipt of pupil premium made expected progress in maths KS1 assessments
- 67% of the children in receipt of pupil premium made expected progress in writing KS1 assessments

Lower KS2:

- 100% of the children in receipt of pupil premium made excellent progress in reading from the end of year 2 to the end of year 4
- 100% of the children in receipt of pupil premium made expected progress in maths from the end of year 2 to the end of year 4
- 100% of the children in receipt of pupil premium made excellent progress in writing from the end of year 2 to the end of year 4