

Moss Hall Infant School Pupil Premium Strategy Statement for 2025-26 and Pupil Premium Strategy 2024-25 review.

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium funding to help improve the attainment of our disadvantaged pupils for the 2025-26 academic year.

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	Moss Hall Infant School
Number of pupils in school	284
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	10.1%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3+ year plans are recommended)	2022/2023 to 2025/2026
Date this statement was published	10.12.25
Date on which it will be reviewed	December 2026
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Funding overview 2025-26

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year (25-26)	£71205
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	0
Total budget for this academic year If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	£71205

Part A: 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 across all subject areas.

In our school, through the design of an ambitious and language rich curriculum we want all our children to have access to rich vocabulary, culturally diverse learning and the opportunities to think hard, develop the skills to communicate clearly and to be resilient in their learning. The focus of our pupil premium strategy is to support disadvantaged pupils to achieve that goal increasing their cultural capital and self-confidence

We will consider the challenges faced by vulnerable pupils, such as those who have a social worker and 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.

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. We will use the funding to support the development of teachers and other staff to teach high quality phonics and reading skills, especially for pupils at the stages of Early Reading.

Where disadvantaged children need more support we will use selected interventions that are proven to be effective by the EEF as well as our own strategies and ways of supporting children that are effective in our setting. We will use 1:1 or small group tuition for these pupils to make the most progress.

As Moss Hall Schools Federation, a 2 school federation of a separate infant and junior school, we are adopting a coherent and all through/ federation wide approach in which all staff take responsibility for disadvantaged pupils' outcomes as they progress from the infant to the junior school.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Assessments indicate underdeveloped oral language skills and vocabulary gaps among many disadvantaged pupils. These are evident from EYFS to Year 2 and in general, are more prevalent among our disadvantaged pupils than their peers.
2	Assessments indicate underdeveloped phonic knowledge and application among many disadvantaged pupils. These are evident from EYFS through to Y2 and in general, are more prevalent among our disadvantaged pupils than their peers.
3	Assessments indicate underdeveloped reading fluency among many disadvantaged pupils. This is evident in Year 2 in general and is more prevalent among our disadvantaged pupils than their peers who may not have access to support outside school.
4	Assessments indicate underdeveloped writing skills and fluency among many disadvantaged pupils. This is evident from EYFS where the application of

	phonics and reason to write / audience is less secure in our disadvantaged than other children.
5	Internal assessments indicate that maths attainment among disadvantaged pupils is significantly below that of non-disadvantaged pupils.
6	Our internal data and observations indicate that the opportunities for social interactions among our disadvantaged pupils is significantly less than that amongst out non-disadvantaged pupils and these findings are supported by national studies.
7	Our attendance data among disadvantaged pupils has been between 2-3 % lower than for non-disadvantaged pupils. There are complex and over layering reasons for this. The schools take a relational approach to each family where persistent absence is a factor and work to reduce the barriers to attending school at the expected 96% of the time.

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.	Disadvantaged pupils in all year groups use their increased vocabulary to make good progress across the curriculum and meet their academic targets
Improved Phonic Screen check outcome among disadvantaged pupils	Year 1 Phonics Screen check outcomes are in line or above National and Barnet average for all pupils by July 2026 and this is sustained to the end of the strategy Year 1 Phonics Screen check outcomes for disadvantaged pupils are in line with National expectations for all pupils by July 2026 and this is sustained to the end of the strategy. Year 2 catch up effectively ensures children who missed a pass, catch up. (missed due to late start to the Phonics programme or other barrier)
Pupils attaining in the lowest 20% in Reading make at least good progress	Pupils in this group achieve their ambitious targets in reading (2025-26) KS1 reading outcomes in 2025/26 show that more than 70% of disadvantaged pupils meet the expected standard at the end of KS1
Improved maths attainment for disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS1.	Pupils in this group achieve their ambitious targets in maths (25-26) KS1 maths outcomes in 2025/26 show that more than 70% of disadvantaged pupils meet the expected standard at the end of KS1
Improved writing attainment for disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS1.	KS1 writing outcomes in 2025/26 show that more than 70+% of disadvantaged pupils meet the expected standard.

To achieve and sustain improved	The overall absence rate for disadvantaged pupils improves termly and is sustained
attendance for all	
pupils, particularly our	
disadvantaged pupils.	

Activity in this academic year (2025-26)

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: £23,500

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Purchase of standardised diagnostic assessments CPD for staff to interpret and administer	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: Standardised tests Assessing and Monitoring Pupil Progress Education Endowment Foundation EEF	1,2,3,5
Purchase of a DfE validated Systematic Synthetic Phonics programme to secure stronger phonics teaching for all pupils.	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: Phonics Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	2
CPD for staff to deliver the programme Including leadership training and time for leaders to monitor and develop practice		
Purchase of Language and Reading programme to secure early reading fluency	A research informed measurable and impactful programme to accelerate progress for children reading below the expected standard	3,4,6

Purchase of CPD in Writing training for all staff - bespoke to staff needs and federation wide, to secure greater subject knowledge and summative assessment skills and guidance to precision teach from the information	Working with our expert partner we have diagnosed school wide areas to improve (audience, purpose, drafting, editing, grammar, punctuation) and improved teaching sequences to take account of these issues Over 2 years we are seeing improving outcomes and intend to keep this CPD practice going through the length of the strategy. In addition, in 23-24 targeted teaching of sentence construction and sentence application. Aiming to simplify and build significant practice and opportunity linked to "holding a sentence" - in particular breaking this down into explicitly taught steps - targeting our disadvantaged pupils who may also have a learning and or EAL need: https://d2tic4wvo1iusb.cloudfront.net/production/eef-guidance-reports/literacy-ks-1/Improving_Literacy_in_KS1_Recommendations_Poster.pdf?v=1703762145 https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/guidance-reports/feedback Strategic use of carefully designed and implemented CPD/ coaching and ongoing support is intended to improve outcomes for pupils: https://d2tic4wvo1iusb.cloudfront.net/production/eef-guidance-reports/effective-professional-development/EEF-Effective-PD-Recommendations-Poster.pdf?v=1703760211	4
Enhancement of our maths teaching and curriculum planning in line with DfE and EEF guidance. We will fund teacher release time to co-teach and plan in order to embed mastery approach to all teaching CPD (including Teaching for Mastery training).	The EEF guidance is based on a range of the best available evidence: Improving Mathematics in Key Stages 1 and EYFS	5
Explicitly Teach Tier 2 words in lessons to support children's exposure to a larger vocabulary that they have heard, can understand and can	The EEF summary of evidence in the 'Teaching and Learning Toolkit' shows that 'oral language interventions consistently show positive impact on learning'. Oral language approaches include: targeted reading aloud and book discussion with young children; explicitly extending pupils' spoken vocabulary;	1

use. Target disadvantaged pupils through use of vocab walls.	the use of structured questioning to develop reading comprehension; and the use of purposeful, curriculum-focused, dialogue and interaction Isobel Beck calls such vocabulary 'second tier' words. "A robust approach to vocabulary involves directly explaining the meanings of words along with thought-provoking, playful, and interactive follow-up." Beck IL, McKeown MG and Kucan L (2013). 'Bringing words to life: robust vocabulary instruction'	
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Budgeted cost: £32,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Additional phonics sessions targeted at disadvantaged pupils who require further phonics support. This will be delivered in collaboration with our local English hub.	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: Phonics Toolkit Strand Education Endowment Foundation EEF	2
Talk Boost/ time to talk' intervention for disadvantaged pupils. Time to Talk - intervention (R)	The EEF summary of evidence in the 'Teaching and Learning Toolkit' shows that 'oral language interventions consistently show positive impact on learning'. Oral language approaches include: targeted reading aloud and book discussion with young children; · explicitly extending pupils' spoken vocabulary; · the use of structured questioning to develop reading comprehension; and · the use of purposeful, curriculum-focused, dialogue and interaction	1
(LEP) Language Enrichment Programme - KS1 (A and Z)	Research informed programme – funded by DfE to support rapid language development in young children	1

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

Budgeted cost: £15,705

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challeng e number(s) addresse d
Appointment of federation wide welfare and attendance officer	Embedding good practice set out in DfE's Improving School Attendance Working with families to break down barriers with the school system and ensuring continuity of support and policy implementation for families	7
Well-being support through the work of Learning Mentor - bespoke and weekly programmes	"Happy to be me programme" has been successfully run at the school for x years Children have a safe space and peer group to focus on self-esteem and developing relationships	all
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.	6
Music fund: to enable talented pupils to access small group tuition - thus building their culture capital and increasing chances of accessing music places at local specialised secondary schools	As a school with a good reputation for music, we believe family income should not be barrier to learning a tuned instrument any child wishes to.	6
EAL classes for parents	Funding to enable primary carers to have weekly one hour EAL lessons with a trained instructor and to learn basic "words for school" and to have a point of contact regarding curriculum matters - 2 terms in first instance: Link to phonics/ reading and maths programme workshops	
Funding to enable identified children to attend after school / before school activities.	10 children per term: Addressing Educational Disadvantage Marc Rowland USP	

Total budgeted cost: £71,205

Part B: Review of the previous academic year (2024-25)

Strategy outcomes:

This review details the impact that our pupil premium activity has had on pupils in the 2024-25 academic year of our 4 year plan.

Funding overview for 2024-25

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£73,600
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	0
Total budget for this academic year	
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How did we spend the funding?:

The funding was expended as per the plan set out in Part A of our 4 year strategy.

Intended outcomes

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Pupils attaining in the lowest 20% in Reading make at least good progress	Pupils in this group achieve their ambitious targets in reading KS1 reading outcomes in 24/25 show that more than 70% of disadvantaged pupils meet the expected standard at the end of KS1
Improved maths attainment for disadvantaged pupils at the end of K1.	Pupils in this group achieve their ambitious targets in maths (2024-25) KS1 maths outcomes show that more than 70% of disadvantaged pupils meet the expected standard at the end of KS1

Improved writing attainment for disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS1.	Pupils in this group achieve their ambitious targets in writing (2024-25)
	KS1 writing outcomes show that more than 70+% of disadvantaged pupils meet the expected standard.
To achieve and sustain improved attendance for all pupils, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.	The overall absence rate for disadvantaged pupils improves termly and is sustained

Attainment of disadvantaged pupils throughout the school 2024/25 compared to their end of year targets.

EYFS PP end of year outcomes



Phonics PP Y1 outcomes

