# **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	Deeping Saint Nicholas
Number of pupils in school	67
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	23.9%
Academic years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers	2023 - 2026
Date on which it will be reviewed	July 2024
Statement authorised by	Claire Underwood
Pupil premium lead	Claire Underwood
Governor lead	Mary Dack

# **Funding overview**

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£24,735.00
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£ 1,269.00
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£ 3,140.00
Total budget for this academic year	£ 29,144.00

## Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

#### Statement of intent

#### **Vision Statement**

In our inclusive and happy school, we make sure **everyone** feels welcomed, valued and valuable.

Our safe and inspiring learning environment helps us work towards achieving our best, in all that we do, so that we can become independent and resilient members of our wider community.

Our shared values give us a foundation of challenge and support, helping to make a positive change in the world, as we strive to create a community of respect and aspiration, preparing everyone for their future.

#### Statement of Intent

At Deeping Saint Nicholas Primary School, we use our Pupil Premium Grant funding to provide additional educational support to our disadvantaged pupils to improve their progress and to raise their standard of achievement.

#### Our Ultimate Objectives

We recognise that disadvantaged children can face a wide range of barriers which may impact on their learning. Our ultimate objectives are to therefore:

- Remove barriers to learning created by poverty, family circumstance and background
- Narrow the attainment gaps between disadvantaged pupils and their non-disadvantaged peers
- Ensure ALL pupils can read fluently and with good understanding
- Develop confidence in their ability to communicate effectively in a wide range of contexts
- Enable pupils to look after their social and emotional wellbeing and to develop resilience
- Access a wide range of experiences to develop their knowledge and understanding of the world
- To support families, beyond the classroom

#### Achieving our Ultimate Objectives

To achieve our objectives and overcome identified barriers to learning we will:

- Provide all staff with high quality CPD to ensure that pupils access effective quality first teaching
- Provide targetted intervention and support to quickly address identified gaps in learning including the use of small group work and 1:1 tuition

- Target funding to ensure that all pupils have access to trips, residentials, firsthand learning experiences
- Provide opportunities for all pupils to participate in enrichment activities including sport and music
- Provide appropriate nurture/additional support to enable pupils to access learning within and beyond the classroom
- Provide appropriate social and emotional support

#### **Key Principals**

We will ensure that effective teaching, learning and assessment meets the needs of all pupils through the rigorous analysis of data.

Class teachers will identify specific intervention and support for individual pupils which will be reviewed termly.

Alongside academic support, we will ensure that those pupils who have social, emotional and mental health needs will access high quality provision from appropriately trained adults.

## **Challenges**

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Gaps in reading, writing, maths, phonics
2	Speech, language & communication
3	Social, emotional, and mental health
4	Access to wider experiences
5	Independence

### **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
Reading, Writing, Maths	Disadvantaged children will achieve outcomes at least in line with national average by end of KS2
Social, emotional, and mental health	All children, but specifically disadvantaged children, are supported to help

	them cope with the issues they face. Recommendations from the EEF's guidance report advises schools to teach social & emotional learning (SEL) skills explicitly, and alongside these (and the activities mentioned in Section 3) we hope to make a difference and help pupils deal with their emotions. With this support, children will better focus on their learning, enjoy success, and achieve.
Access to wider experiences	A range of enrichment and extra-curricular activities are organised
Independence	With greater opportunities, children's confidence is developed – allowing them increased independence In controlled situations, children manage
	their own risk

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: £ 23,592

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Additional support in classes to facilitate lower pupil/teacher ratios, mixed age planning, Additional support for intervention	It has been proven students learn faster and perform better in small classes. Classes of less than 20 children result in more in more individual attention, increased participation and better communication.	1,2,3,5
To improve standards in spelling across the school	EEF: Improving Literacy in KS1 and 2 New resources to be purchased to enhance new programme	1,2,5
Develop continuous provision in EYFS / KS1 CPD for staff, purchase of resources	Developing pupils independence Adoption of whole class enhanced provision in KS1 pupils, new resources purchased to enhance this provision Training for staff	1,2,5
To develop health and wellbeig of pupils CPD costs, workshops and resources	EEF Guidance about Wider strategies focusing on: SEL, Well-being and Mental Health.	3,4,5

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

Budgeted cost: £ 1171.00

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
The effective use of teaching assistants to deliver structured interventions out of class and/or give targeted support within the class	EEF: Making best use of TAs Using TAs to deliver precision/targetted intervention to small groups or 1:1.	1,2,3,5
Specialist Teaching Team	A greater need for pupils with SEND in schools. STT supply an assessment and report, for the school to then action.	1,2,3,5

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

Budgeted cost: £3137.00

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
School uniform; including free 'pre-loved' uniform.	Pupils from lower socioeconomic households are less likely to be able to afford the cost of school uniforms. Schools intending to change their school uniform policy should therefore consider what provision can be made to cover the costs of uniform changes for disadvantaged pupils.	3
Music	EEF: enriching education has intrinsic benefits. We think all children, including those from disadvantaged backgrounds, deserve a well-rounded, culturally rich, education.	3,4
Residential	Learningaway.org.uk: The evidence continues to show that many of the positive impacts seen on the residential, for example on the development of relationships, confidence and engagement with learning, as well as the delivery of	2,3,4, 5

	learning, were also being sustained back in school.	
Breakfast and After school Club Catering Milk	The Children's Society: Young people are going to school hungry. These young people have to work extra hard to stay happy, motivated and focused on the future	2,3,4, 5
Additional resources	Additional learning resources, e.g. travel/transport and some lunch time play equipment.	3

Total budgeted cost: £27,900

## Part B: Review of the previous academic year

## **Outcomes for disadvantaged pupils**

Disadvantaged children make good progress against their peers in RWM across the school. The employment of a additional teaching assistant reduce pupil teacher ratio in mixed age classes has ensured that these children make good progress and gaps in learning are identified quickly and intevention put in place.

Intervention is planned carefully to support all pupils including those disadvantaged. This is effective through the employment of high quality teaching assistants and first quality teaching. Regular internal assessments ensure pupils gaps in learning are identified quickly and steps put into place at an early stage.

Funding has been used effectively to support the development of reading within the school through additional resources and specific reading programmes. The impact is shown in the internal data of the school.

Funding is used to support families were appropriate to ensure all children are able to access clubs including breakfast, after school and enrichment activities. The funding also supports disadvantaged families with trips and residentials.

Funding has also been used effectively to support health and well being of disadvantaged children through workshops delivered by the Stay Safe Partnership, training for staff working alongside specific pupils, and employment of a pastoral mentor within the school.