



Pupil Premium at St Leonard's CE(A) First School 2023/24

What is Pupil premium?

Pupil premium is additional to the main funding that schools receive. The Government believes that this funding is the best way to address the current underlying inequalities between the children eligible for free school meals (FSM) and their wealthier peers. This ensures that the funding reaches those disadvantaged pupils who need it most.

Schools are free to decide how to spend pupil premium funding, which is allocated per FSM pupil. They should make the best use of this to provide additional support to those individual pupils. This academic year the school receives £4,155 for each FSM pupil. It receives £2,410 LAC (looked after child) funding. Schools are accountable for how they spend this additional funding to support pupils from low-income families. Performance tables will indicate how well these children have achieved in comparison to their peers. Since 2012 schools have had a responsibility to publish online information about how they have used their pupil premium, making parents and others fully aware of the attainment of these pupils. For more information on pupil premium please see the Department for Education website.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/pupil-premium-information-for-schools-and-alternative-provision-settings>

How much pupil premium will St Leonard's receive?

For the financial year 2023/24, St Leonard's pupil premium entitlement is £6565

How will St Leonard's use its Pupil Premium in 2022/2023

- Specifically the funding will be used to sustain teaching assistant hours and to enable pupil premium pupils to have quality learning time with the class teacher. This will enable all English and mathematics lessons to continue to be taught in small focused groups and for focused interventions to be carried out which will benefit pupil premium pupils. There are interventions such as precision teaching for reading fluency and spelling and maths facts across the school and other specific interventions.

What is the impact of pupil premium in 2021/22

- Pupil Premium Funding is used to meet individual's needs. There is no requirement to report online on the progress of individual children. In publicly reporting on the use and impact of the pupil premium schools need to observe the Data Protection Act of 1998 to ensure that individuals or groups of individuals cannot be identified. In order to be compliant with the Data Protection Act performance data related to a cohort of 5 pupils or fewer should not be published to reduce the risk of individual pupils being identified from the published data.
- Due to the small numbers of pupils involved making comparisons has difficulties and can be inaccurate. Therefore at St Leonard's we work on individual programmes of intervention with our PP pupils according to their needs and monitor their individual progress carefully.
- If you require information about how pupil premium funding in 2021-22 has been used at St Leonard's CE (A) First School, please contact the School Office.

Actions to take forward to this year's planning for Pupil Premium from the impact of last year's funding and pupil outcomes data July 2022:

2022 data shows that there were no significant differences between the attainment and the progress of vulnerable pupils in comparison to other pupils. Funding will be used to sustain this and to meet individuals pupil's needs.