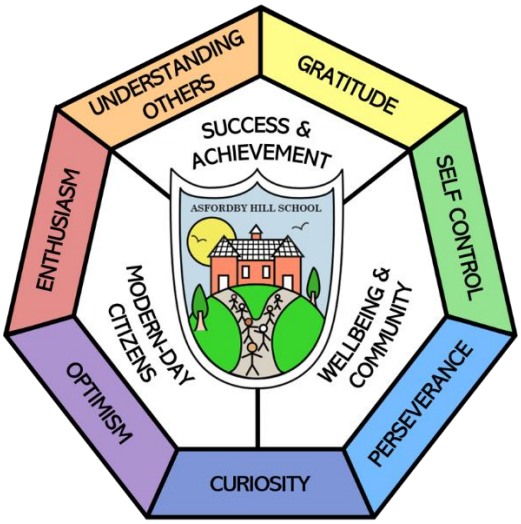
The Asfordby Hill School



Pupil Premium POLICY

This Policy Links With: Teaching and Learning Equality SEN Trips and Visits Complaints Procedure	
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"The capacity to solve life's problems is based on our abilities to learn to think above and not below the problems."
Auliq Ice

Purpose and Background

The Pupil Premium Grant (PPG) is additional funding provided by the Department for Education (DfE) to improve educational outcomes for disadvantaged pupils and to help close attainment gaps. The school uses pupil premium funding in line with DfE conditions of grant and Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) evidence-informed guidance.

Current eligibility includes:

- Pupils eligible for Targeted Free School Meals (Targeted FSM) or who have been eligible at any point in the previous six years (Ever 6 FSM).
- Previously looked-after children adopted from care or subject to special guardianship or child arrangements orders.
- Children looked after by a local authority (funding managed through the Virtual School Head).
- Service children through the Service Pupil Premium.

Targeted and Expanded Free School Meals:
Asfordby Hill Primary School recognises the distinction between Targeted Free School Meals (FSM) and Expanded Free School Meals (FSM). Targeted FSM applies to pupils whose families meet specific benefits-related eligibility criteria. These pupils receive a free school meal and may also attract additional support and funding, including Pupil Premium funding, where applicable.

Expanded FSM applies to pupils from households receiving Universal Credit who do not meet the Targeted FSM criteria. These pupils are entitled to a free school meal only and ***do not*** attract Pupil Premium funding or the additional entitlements associated with Targeted FSM.

The school actively encourages families to register for FSM where eligible. Registering for FSM may enable pupils to access additional support and ensures the school receives the correct level of pupil premium funding. Universal infant free school meals do not automatically make a pupil eligible for pupil premium funding; families must still complete an FSM eligibility claim where appropriate.

Principles

- Provide high-quality teaching for all pupils as the most effective way to improve outcomes.
- Use evidence-informed approaches and EEF guidance when allocating funding.
- Address academic, attendance, wellbeing and enrichment barriers to learning.
- Recognise that disadvantage is broader than FSM eligibility and assess individual need.
- Monitor impact carefully to ensure value for money and improved outcomes.

Provision

- Targeted academic intervention and tutoring
- Adaptive teaching and quality-first teaching strategies
- Attendance and pastoral support
- Access to educational visits, clubs and experiences
- Resources and technology to support learning

- Staff professional development
- Speech, language and therapeutic support where appropriate

Accountability and Reporting
The Headteachers and governing body will ensure that pupil premium funding is used effectively and evaluated rigorously. The school will publish and annually update a Pupil Premium Strategy Statement on its website by 31 December in line with DfE requirements. Impact will be measured through attainment, progress, attendance, engagement and wider outcomes for disadvantaged pupils.

Legislative and Guidance Framework
This policy reflects current DfE pupil premium conditions of grant, Pupil Premium Overview guidance, Using Pupil Premium: Guidance for School Leaders, the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) Guide to the Pupil Premium, the Equality Act 2010, Keeping Children Safe in Education, and the Children Act 1989 and 2004.