

## Pupil premium strategy statement (2025-2026)

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium) 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 outcomes for disadvantaged pupils last academic year.

### School overview

Detail	Data
School Name	Queniborough C.E. Primary School
Number of pupils in school	200
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	9.5%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers ( <b>3 year plans are recommended</b> )	2025-2026 2026-2027 2027-2028
Date this statement was published	December 2025
Date on which it will be reviewed	December 2028
Statement authorised by	Lindsay Charlton, Headteacher
Pupil premium lead	Helen Wright
Governor / Trustee lead	Patrick Rendall, Chair of Governors

### Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£ 30,848.34
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£0
Pupil premium (and recovery premium*) funding carried forward from previous years ( <i>enter £0 if not applicable</i> )  <i>*Recovery premium received in academic year 2021 to 2022 can be carried forward to academic year 2022 to 2023. Recovery premium received in academic year 2022 to 2023 cannot be carried forward to 2023 to 2024.</i>	£0
<b>Total budget for this academic year</b>  <i>If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year</i>	£ 30,848.34

## Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

### Statement of intent

Our intention is that all pupils in our school will make good progress and achieve their full potential, both academically and socially. We recognise that for some children, circumstances which cause them a disadvantage mean that there is a need for greater support to enable them to achieve these goals. Therefore, our Pupil Premium funding will be targeted to close the gap for these pupils and ensure they are given the opportunity to succeed.

For all pupils, the best tool at our disposal to ensure progress is a focus on high-quality teaching and the nurturing of a learning environment which encourages curiosity, questioning and understanding. These two aspects of our school ensure that all pupils have the opportunity to achieve, regardless of disadvantage. As such, we will continue to develop teaching and learning in our school in order to benefit all children.

For vulnerable children, including but not limited to our disadvantaged pupils, we aim to meet individual needs as well as addressing common challenges. To this end, we will ensure that teachers individually assess their vulnerable pupils to identify their individual needs. In order to maintain accountability and effectiveness, we will make sure that our disadvantaged pupils are:

- challenged to develop themselves academically and socially
- identified early and given intervention at the soonest opportunity
- seen as the responsibility of all staff, particularly in terms of our expectations for the children and the outcomes we expect for them

## Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Data shows that our vulnerable children are less likely to participate in our wraparound provision (breakfast and after-school clubs) due to both cost and lack of expectation from parents/carers that the children will benefit from it. Discussions with parents suggest that this has a detrimental impact on their ability to work particular hours and could therefore increase disadvantage for these families.
2	Discussions with pupils and families suggests that there is limited participation in cultural experiences, due to cost, accessibility and inclination. This lack of a wider understanding of the cultural landscape narrows their life experiences and has a knock impact on their vocabulary and points of reference, particularly in English.
3	<p>Observations and discussions with pupils and families suggest that the emotional wellbeing and mental health of many of our disadvantaged pupils was significantly affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. These findings are supported by national studies.</p> <p>This has resulted in a greater need for support in developing social and emotional resilience in many of our disadvantaged pupils. The number of pupils supported by ELSA in school has significantly increased since its implementation and we recognise the need to continue this provision.</p>
4.	Observations and discussions with parents, class teachers and SENDCo highlight the need for one-to-one support for specific pupils in order for them to access the curriculum and participate fully in daily school life. This could include 1-1 support, small group support or intervention groups
5.	Leaders have identified that training for early phonics is needed for more members of staff to ensure that all pupils, including disadvantaged pupils, receive effective phonics teaching.
6.	Class teachers have identified a need in some pupils for access to IT devices to support writing and other areas of the curriculum. To address this, laptops will be purchased that can be used by pupils in lessons.

## 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
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Wider participation in wraparound care.	All disadvantaged pupils will be offered access to breakfast and after-school clubs at a reduced cost and free sports clubs. Participation will be encouraged but not obligatory.
Disadvantaged pupils have unrestricted access to a wide range of experiences outside of the normal school setting alongside their peers.	All disadvantaged pupils attend all enrichment activities for which they are eligible (i.e. year group trips, residentials, swimming etc)
To achieve and sustain improved wellbeing for all pupils in our school, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.	Sustained high levels of wellbeing by 2024/25 demonstrated by qualitative data from student voice, student and parent surveys and teacher observations
To ensure all disadvantaged pupils are able to access and participate fully in the curriculum and classroom activities.	Pupils are actively supported by allocated staff as timetabled. This can be support within the classroom setting or as targeted interventions.
To ensure pupils requiring writing support have easy access to laptops for classroom use.	Pupils have access to laptops to support them in lessons and are making use of them to improve writing.

## 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: £4,500

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Sounds Write Training	Sounds-Write draws on well-established theories of learning and teaching, and focuses first and foremost on developing teacher knowledge, as this is the single greatest factor in improving student outcomes. <a href="https://sounds-write.co.uk/what-is-sounds-write/Write">What is Sounds-Write? - Sounds</a> <a href="https://sounds-write.co.uk/what-is-sounds-write/Write">Write</a>	5

Forest School training	“There is anecdotal evidence from teachers and others who have come into contact with Forest School that it can have a profound and positive effect on the way children and young people relate to each other and the world around them.” 5 Forest Schools: impact on young children in England and Wales - Forest Research	4
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### Targeted academic support (for example, tutoring, one-to-one support, structured interventions)

Budgeted cost: £16,300

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
One-to-One support for specific pupils	The EEF guide for PP strategy suggests the use of One-to-One support for pupils in order to improve academic attainment as well as in relation to behaviour and well-being.  <a href="https://www.educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk">New guide for schools to support their pupil premium strategy   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)</a>	4
Purchase of laptops	The DfE’s Technology in Schools Report states that 67% of school leaders feel the use of technology had a positive impact on pupil attainment and will continue to do so.  <a href="#">Technology in schools survey: 2024 to 2025</a>	6

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

Budgeted cost: £10,045

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Breakfast club and wraparound care	<p>The DfE suggest that PP funding can be spent on wider strategies to address non- academic barriers to success in schools, such as attendance, behaviour, and social and emotional support.</p> <p>Our experience shows that wraparound care is key to addressing some of these issues.</p> <p><a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pupil-premium/pupil-premium">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pupil-premium/pupil-premium</a></p>	1
Payment for enrichment activities, including pantomime, swimming lessons, trips and residential.	<p>The DfE suggest that an element of PP funding could be spent on extracurricular activities, including sports, outdoor activities, arts, culture and trips. Our experience shows that having access to these enrichment experiences improves not only the social/emotional wellbeing of pupils, but also has a residual impact on their attainment due to a broadening of vocabulary and points of reference.</p> <p><a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1066915/Using_pupil_premium_guidance_for_school_leaders.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1066915/Using_pupil_premium_guidance_for_school_leaders.pdf</a></p>	2
Piano lessons	<p>The DfE suggest that an element of PP funding could be spent on extracurricular activities, including sports, outdoor activities, arts, culture and trips. Our experience shows that having access to these enrichment experiences improves not only the social/emotional wellbeing of pupils, but also has a residual impact on their attainment due to a broadening of vocabulary and points of reference.</p> <p><a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1066915/Using_pupil_premium_guidance_for_school_leaders.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1066915/Using_pupil_premium_guidance_for_school_leaders.pdf</a></p>	2

<p>ELSA Counselling</p>	<p>EEF reports show that effective social and emotional learning (SEL) can increase positive pupil behaviour, mental health and well-being, and academic performance. They stress this is especially important for children from disadvantaged backgrounds and other vulnerable groups, who, on average, have weaker SEL skills at all ages than their better-off classmates. Evidence from the EEF's Teaching and Learning Toolkit suggests that effective SEL can lead to learning gains of +4 months over the course of a year.</p> <p><a href="https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/news/prioritise-social-and-emotional-learning">https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/news/prioritise-social-and-emotional-learning</a></p>	<p>3</p>
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**Total budgeted cost: £30,845**

**Part B: Review of the previous academic year**

**Pupil premium strategy outcomes**

This details the impact that our pupil premium activity had on pupils in the 2024 to 2025 academic year.

<p>Wider participation in wraparound care.</p> <p>Provision of wraparound care for pupils has enabled some families to ensure their child is in school on time and avoid late or non-attendance marks. It is an essential support to some families with their work schedules and ensure pupils have a positive start to their day.</p> <p>Disadvantaged pupils have unrestricted access to a wide range of experiences outside of the normal school setting alongside their peers.</p> <p>Provision of enrichment (curricular and extra-curricular) has allowed for pupils to participate fully in our offer thus giving them equal standing with their peers which supports the development of friendships and relationships. It has allowed them to fully access the curriculum and provide opportunities that may otherwise not be available to them.</p> <p>To achieve and sustain improved wellbeing for all pupils in our school, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.</p> <p>ELSA support across school is in high demand, not just for Pupil Premium children and has proved an invaluable support for many pupils. Parents and pupils report the positive impact these sessions have for them.</p>
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To ensure all disadvantaged pupils are able to access and participate fully in the curriculum and classroom activities.

The provision of adult support in the classroom and for interventions has served to ensure pupils can fully access quality first teaching as well as targeting gaps and individual needs in learning. The impact of this is evident in pupils work and progress. The ability to train all relevant staff in Sounds-Write has ensured consistency and fidelity in our phonics provision and teaching.

Pupils develop their mental health, wellbeing and personal skills through e.g. outdoor learning

Personal development is supported in many ways in school. Social communication groups, friendship groups, ELSA and Forest School sessions are all used regularly and the positive impact is reported by parents and pupils.

## Externally provided programmes

*Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you purchased in the previous academic year. This will help the Department for Education identify which ones are popular in England*

Programme	Provider
N/A	
N/A	

## Service pupil premium funding (optional)

*For schools that receive this funding, you may wish to provide the following information:*

Measure	Details
How did you spend your service pupil premium allocation last academic year?	Dependent on pupil. Some went towards piano lessons and funding for residential visits, some went towards intervention support.
What was the impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils?	Enabled pupils to access enrichment / extra-curricular activities. Enabled targeted support for specific pupils.