

Pupil Premium Strategy

Background: Pupil Premium

The Pupil Premium was introduced by the Coalition Government in April 2011. This additional funding is paid to schools in respect of their disadvantaged pupils: Pupils who have been registered for free schools meals (FSM) at any point in the last six years. Pupils looked after continuously by the local authority for more than six months. FSM is the only pupil level measure of deprivation available to schools and the link between FSM eligibility and school underachievement is very strong. Schools receive Pupil Premium funding to support their eligible pupils and narrow the attainment gap between them and their peers.

This year, we will continue to use the pupil premium funding to support achievement, pastoral care, inclusion and early intervention. We continue to work with teachers since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made available for the individual pupils within their classes.

How is Pupil Premium used and Impact measured?

At St. Wilfrids Academy we use our funding for a range of purposes suited to the individual needs of our children. 92% of St Wilfrids Year 11 pupils are eligible for Pupil Premium and 80% overall through KS2 to KS4. Impact is measured using academic progress measured from baselines on referral and improved student attendance compared with referring schools.