

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL A VOLUNTARY ACADEMY

PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING 2014-15

Background information

The 'Pupil Premium' is direct government funding for schools designed to ensure that all pupils make the best possible progress whilst in school, regardless of their socio-economic background. A sum of money is given to the school for every pupil on roll who is currently, or has ever been, in receipt of 'Means tested Free School Meals' (as opposed to the 'Universal Infant Free School Meals'). There is also a small amount of funding given for any pupil with a parent currently serving in the British Armed Forces and for any child 'looked after', either in foster care or in Local Authority care.

How do I know if my child is eligible for the pupil premium?

Your child may eligible for pupil premium funding if you or your partner receive one or more of the following:

- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- An income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,100

If you think that your child may be eligible to qualify for pupil premium funding please do not hesitate to contact a member of the school office team. This funding, if eligible, will be received each year that they remain at primary school, regardless of how your circumstances may change.

How did we spend our pupil premium funding for the 2014-15 academic year?

The main aim of the funding is to allow schools to provide for and support this group of pupils, who historically and nationally have not performed as well as the rest of their peer group.

The funding for 2014-15 was £83,200

The funding was allocated to be spent as follows:-

- A Full time teacher to manage and coordinate the provision for pupils who are eligible for Pupil Premium funding across the whole school. This teacher targets small groups of Pupil Premium pupils from each year group to improve their Phonics, Reading, Writing, and Numeracy skills and monitors their progress throughout the year. Allocated £42,009
- Funding towards Teaching Assistant budget to support Pupil PREMIUM Pupils in class. Allocated £36,191
- Improved access for pupils to curriculum enrichment activities through reduced costs /charges. Allocated £5,000

What was the impact of the support that was funded?

The outcomes for all Pupils eligible for Pupil Premium Support were analysed through comparing end of Key stage national assessments in Reading, Writing and Maths with other peers who did not receive the Pupil Premium support, and compared to Nottingham Local Authority and to National outcomes.

- Year 2 disadvantaged pupils' (Free School Meals) outcomes for Reading, Writing and Maths were higher than their 'Other pupil group' peers in school and their FSM peers Nationally..
- The gap between the Level 4+ attainment of Year 6 Disadvantaged pupils and National Other pupils has narrowed since 2014 in Overall subjects, Reading, Maths and Writing, with only a slight widening for GPS.

• The gap between the Level 5+ attainment of Year 6 Disadvantaged pupils and National Other pupils has narrowed since 2014 in Overall subjects, Maths, Writing, and GPS with only a slight widening for Reading.

Comparison of the % of disadvantaged pupils making expected or better progress from their different starting points from the end of the KS1-to the end of KS2 with their in school peers and the national average 'Other pupils Group', showed variable outcomes for Reading, Writing and Maths.