

Pupil Premium Grant

Pupil Premium is funding to improve education outcomes for disadvantaged pupils in schools in England. Evidence shows that disadvantaged children generally face additional challenges in reaching their potential at school and often do not perform as well as other pupils. It is allocated according to the number of pupils on roll who have been eligible for free school meals (FSM) at any point in the previous 6 years.

In 2023-2024 funding is £1455 per eligible child. A smaller amount is allocated according to the number of children of service families (in 2022-2023 this is £335). Schools will also receive £2530 for each child who has been adopted from care or left care or who are looked after by the local authority.

The Government believes that the Pupil Premium is the best way to address the current disadvantage between children eligible for the PPG and their peers by ensuring that funding to tackle disadvantage reaches the pupils who need it most.

The grant may be spent in the following ways:

1. High-quality teaching, such as staff professional development.
2. Targeted academic support, such as tutoring.
3. Wider strategies to address non-academic barriers to success in schools, such as attendance, behaviour and social and emotional support.

It is for schools to decide how the Pupil Premium is spent, since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils in order to increase attainment, 'narrow the gap' between these children and their peers and address wider issues.

Schools are, however, held accountable for how they have used the additional funding. The information regarding how we are spending our pupil premium and the impact that it is having must be published on our school website.

Further information regarding the pupil premium can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pupil-premium/pupil-premium>