



PUPIL PREMIUM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS 2017 / 2018

The Pupil Premium is an allocation of additional funding provided to schools to support specific groups of children who are vulnerable to possible underachievement. These include pupils who are entitled to Free School Meals (FSM) including in the Early Years and those looked after by the local authority.

We are required to report on how this is being used. We are also required to report on the impact of the money spent.

For the academic year 2017/18, Birkwood Primary School's allocation of £203,400 will be used in the following ways to raise attainment:

- To keep class sizes small in Foundation Stage and Year 1:
F2 Sunflowers = 20; F2 Daffodils = 21; Year 1 Dragonflies = 21; Year 1 Grasshoppers = 22
- Full-time designated Inclusion Leader to enable targeted support for Pupil Premium pupils
- Providing additional targeted support in Early Years and Foundation Stage
- Further refurbishment of outdoor EYFS provision to target Physical Development and Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- One-to-two tuition and Booster classes to target pupils in Year 2 and Year 6 to address identified gaps in knowledge and understanding
- To provide targeted support and intervention groups throughout school (support staff)
- To provide Reading Recovery and additional Phonics teaching by specialist teachers
- Support for Writing as a School Development Plan priority
- Trained staff providing Intervention groups for targeted children
- Thrive practice implemented and resourced
- Employment of an Educational Welfare Officer alternate weeks and designated Attendance Officer to support families regarding attendance
- Provide heavily discounted visits and trips, including a week's residential visit for Year 6

- Music opportunities, ie whole class teaching (brass and recorders) and individual tuition
- Parent Support Advisor employed to work closely with identified families.

For more details on the Pupil Premium, please visit:

<https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/children-families-and-education/schools-and-learning/free-school-meals/>

If you think your child may be entitled to free school meals, please contact Mrs White or Mrs Booth. Alternatively, you can contact the Benefits, Taxation and Income Contact Centre on 01226 787787 or the Barnsley Council website: www.barnsley.gov.uk and click on Schools and Learning.