



PUPIL PREMIUM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS 2019 / 2020

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 and children of service personnel.

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 2019/20, Birkwood Primary School's allocation of £175,050 will be used in the following ways to raise attainment:

- To continue to raise standards in Reading and Writing in all Key Stages. Progress for the majority of PP children to be above expected (3+ points)
- By keeping class sizes small in Foundation Stage, disadvantaged pupils make accelerated progress, given their starting points
- Intensive booster and 1:2 tuition with identified pupils (throughout the year), focus on Reading, Writing and Maths Combined
- Small group tuition in the classroom for cohort specific identified needs (additional TA support)
- To further reduce the % of persistent absentees; evidenced through attendance reports and Education Welfare Officer monitoring
- Further develop high quality early years outdoor provision to further develop Physical Development and Personal, Social and Emotional Development, thereby impacting on Good Level of Development (Early Years Pupil Premium)
- Full-time Inclusion Leader to work with targeted families to facilitate and increase the engagement of families through effective home school partnerships, thereby closing the gap
- Full-time Parent Support Advisor to work with disadvantaged pupils and their families, thereby providing support around barriers to learning
- Full-time Behaviour Support Learning Mentor to work with targeted children who need additional behaviour support so that their conduct also reflects the school's high expectations. Consequently behaviour does not disrupt lessons or the day-to-day life of the school

- Following Thrive training, children targeted 1:1 and small groups to develop social and emotional aspects of learning
- Curriculum support to enable aspirations for pupils in relation to Music, Sport and Dance
- Growit opportunities for children to develop life skills and independent learning opportunities; including employment of handyperson/gardener
- Further develop social and emotional aspects of learning through Open Futures (Cookit and Growit)

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 Donna White on School Reception. 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.