Pupil premium strategy statement 2021/2022



Somerford Primary School

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2021 to 2022 academic year) funding to help improve the attainment of our disadvantaged pupils.

It outlines our pupil premium strategy, how we intend to spend the funding in this academic year and the effect that last year's spending of pupil premium had within our school.

School overview

Detail	Data
School name	Somerford Primary School
Number of pupils in school	238
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	42%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan	2021-2022
covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2022-2023
	2023-2024
Date this statement was published	30.12.21
Date on which it will be reviewed	30.12.22
Statement authorised by	Helen Frampton
Pupil premium lead	Jeremy Wallace
Governor / Trustee lead	Dionne Johnson

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£ 138,810
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£ 27,142
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£ 165,952
If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

At Somerford Primary we believe that all children have the capacity to achieve great things while they are with us. We have high expectations and aspirations for all of our children and work tirelessly to maximise the progress for every child through our broad and rich curriculum.

Our Pupil Premium Strategy is intended to minimise any gaps between the opportunities and outcomes for disadvantaged pupils and their non-disadvantaged peers. Ultimately, we aim to have our disadvantaged children perform in line with our non-disadvantaged pupils.

Our underpinning principles are that:

- All children have the ability to achieve regardless of their background or any barriers which they have to their education.
- It is our responsibility to attempt to help all children, but particularly those who have a disadvantage, overcome any barriers to education which they may have.
- In making provision for disadvantaged pupils, we recognise that not all pupils who receive free school meals will be disadvantaged.
- We also recognise that not all pupils who are disadvantaged are registered or qualify for free school meals. We reserve the right to allocate the Pupil Premium funding to support any pupil or groups of pupils the school has legitimately identified as being disadvantaged.

Challenges

This details the key challenges to achievement that we have identified among our disadvantaged pupils.

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Many disadvantaged children enter the school with very low starting points and therefore require greater catch up throughout the school to reach standards in line with their peers.
	Disadvantaged pupils are below expectations in all strands of the baseline. As an example 0% of disadvantaged pupils in current EYFS baseline assessed at Reception 39% assessed at 0-3 years (i.e. significantly below)
2	Some disadvantaged children's mental health is poor leading to decreased self- esteem, resilience, confidence and learning outcomes.
	Significant percentage of pupils receiving ELSA, play psychotherapy are disadvantaged pupils.

	Significant percentage of pupils with safeguarding concerns raised on My Concern (which in some cases may relate to mental health issues) are disadvantaged pupils. Significant percentage of pupils with Thrive assessments are below expected					
	development level for age. Rarely Emerging Developing Secure					
	Whole school	13%		0%	28%	39%
	Disadvantaged pupils	22%	4	8%	31%	36%
3	Poor oral language and lack of access to a language rich environment leads to				onment leads to	
	poor reading, comp	rehensio	n, and writing	skills.		
	50% of children who disadvantaged pupi		ALT program	mes acro	oss the schoo	l are
	NELI / Wellcomm /		alk programn	nes ident	tify significant	language needs
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	93.7%		92.0%		25.0%	3.0%
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	residential trips and	 Exila-Cu 	iliculai activi	1163.	Non -	
	2019 (last data available due to Covid) Disadvantaged pupils		ged	disadvantaged pupils	l gap	
	Y4 Leeson House		68% (up 30%	s on	81%	-13% (closed
			2018)	_		11% from 2018)
	Y6 Fairthorne Manor	r	58% (up 18%	S on	73%	-15% (closed
	2018) 2%			2% from 2018)		
	2019 (last data avai	ilahle	% of		% of non -	
	due to Covid)	IIUDIC	disadvanta pupils	ged	disadvantaged pupils	l gap
	After School Clubs		27% (up 9%	on	38%	-11% (closed
			2018)			13% from 2018)
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7		Parental engagement with school for disadvantaged pupils is sometimes low – particularly in relation to academic issues.						s low –	
		n need to e or the childi		ents in aca	demic a	dvice and g	uidan	ce to	increase
8	Mobility w also impo		chool is hig	gh. Transit	ion in an	nd out of the	scho	ol is t	herefore
			Puj	oil Mobility (as at 09.	11.21)			
	Curre	nt year since	e Septembe	er 2021		Since Sept	embe	r 2020)
	overall	Disadvantaged	Non disadvantaged	difference	overall	Disadvantaged	Non	disadvantaged	difference
	6%	4%	8%	+4%	13%	11%	15%		+4%
9	Levels of	SEN in the	school are	e high					
		SEN levels (as at 09.11.21)							
			overall	Disadva	ntaged	Non- disadvanta	ged	Dit	fference
	All SEN	27%		29%		27%		-2%	
	EHCP	3%	1%		5%			+4%	
10	children b Some of	Nationally, Covid-19 has disproportionately impacted disadvantaged families a children both financially, emotionally and digitally. Some of our disadvantaged children and families experience digital poverty which impacts on their ability to access home and remote learning.							
	% of child	% of children loaned digital devices during pandemic							
	Ov	erall	Disadvo	antaged	disad	Non Ivantaged		Diffe	rence
	3.	4%		1% her 20%		23%		+2	28%

Intended outcomes

This explains the outcomes we are aiming for **by the end of our current strategy plan**, and how we will measure whether they have been achieved.

Intended outcome	Success criteria
EYFS Improved progress and attainment in EYFS	 % of disadvantaged pupils achieving GLD will exceed 25% (SPS 2019) the gap to non-disadvantaged pupils will be less than -53.9% (SPS 2019)
Year One Phonics	% of disadvantaged pupils reaching the expected standard in Phonics will exceed 50% (SPS 2019)

Increased number of children passing the phonics screening	the gap to non-disadvantaged pupils will be less than -19.2% (SPS 2019)
KS1 SATs	% of disadvantaged pupils reaching the expected
Improved progress and attainment in KS1 SATs	standard in:
	 Reading will exceed 50% (SPS 2019) the gap to non-disadvantaged pupils will be less than -6.7% (SPS 2019) Writing will exceed 44.4% (SPS 2019) the gap to non-disadvantaged pupils will be less than -15.6% (SPS 2019) Maths will exceed 66.7% (SPS 2019) the gap to non-disadvantaged pupils will remain at 0 (SPS 2019)
End of KS2	% of disadvantaged pupils reaching the expected
Improved progress and attainment in KS2 SATs	standard in;
	 Reading will exceed 41.7% (SPS 2019) the gap to non-disadvantaged pupils will be less than 12.3% (SPS 2019) Writing will exceed 54.2% (SPS 2019) the gap to non-disadvantaged pupils will be less than 19.1% (SPS 2019) Maths will exceed 58.3% (SPS 2019) the gap to non-disadvantaged pupils will be less than 18.4% (SPS 2019)
Attendance Improved attendance for disadvantaged pupils	 Attendance for disadvantaged pupils will be at least 96% Reduce the gap between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils' attendance to 3% or less
SEN Levels	All disadvantaged children with SEN will be
Improved early identification of SEN	identified and have appropriate support

Activity in this academic year

This details how we intend to spend our pupil premium (and recovery premium funding) **this academic year** to address the challenges listed above.

Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £ 85,500

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Termly pupil progress reviews between every class teacher and SLT to rigorously monitor progress of individual disadvantaged pupils including those with SEN in reading, writing and maths. These meetings will use FFT as well as internal standardised testing data to ensure rapid progress. Barriers to learning will be identified and actions agreed to subsequently overcome these. Allocation of Teaching Assistants will be evaluated and allocated based on pupil need as a result of these reviews and bespoke interventions are planned to address group and individual needs. These interventions are tracked and evaluated each half term.	Ofsted reports on the Pupil Premium also show that allocating the best staff to smaller groups has a positive impact on the achievement of disadvantaged learners. Ofsted (2013) Ofsted 'The Pupil Premium' document details a case study where this practice was judged as successful in raising standards. Being data driven and responding to evidence is one of the most effective strategies for supporting the achievement of disadvantaged learners, NfER, Ofsted (2013) Improving classroom teaching identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019)	1, 3, 8, 9, 10
Read, Write Inc. phonics scheme embedded and used across EYFS, KS1 and targeted Y3 &Y4 children Read Write Inc Lead released from teaching role to support all colleagues	Effective phonics teaching has a potential impact of 5 months on progress for all learners – EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019) Review meetings with Read Write Inc team and partner schools identified this as good practice.	1, 3, 9

Teachers to all use feedback sheets to record	Improving classroom teaching identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019) Ofsted (November 2021) identified the scheme as a success in our school Effective feedback for learning identified as potentially adding 8 months to progress, EEF	1, 9
key issues from classes. ELT to monitor these sheets and triangulate with evidence from books and learning walks to evaluate impact as part of the Teaching and Learning review process	Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019) Ofsted (November 2021) identified our practice as effective.	
Pupil Premium TAs give targeted feedback to those disadvantaged pupils on a regular basis	Effective feedback for learning identified as potentially adding 8 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019) Ofsted (November 2021) identified our practice as effective.	1, 9
Tracking pupils' progress from key assessment points recorded on stickers in the back of books ensures that disadvantaged children who are not on track are identified and targeted interventions are planned and carried out	Improving classroom teaching identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019)	1, 3, 8, 9, 10
Embedding assessment scheme for reading through focussed CPD from English leader	Understanding texts: teaching reading comprehension strategies identified as potentially adding 6 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019)	1, 3, 9
Use of Times Tables Rockstars to engage all learners and maximise progress in maths	Use of digital technologies identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019)	1, 7, 9
English and maths leads to attend BCP/National CPD sessions to identify ways to further support Disadvantaged pupils	Improving classroom teaching identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF	1, 3, 9

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across the school. Relevant material disseminated to teachers and TAs through CPD programme	Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019)	
Disadvantaged pupils lead to attend county and national conferences to ensure best practice is being adhered to. Relevant material disseminated to teachers and TAs through CPD programme. Particularly through PP TAs half termly meetings	Improving classroom teaching identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019) Important that Pupil Premium Lead remains up to date with the latest best practice for the allocation of funding.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
Termly standardised assessments in reading and maths (NfER) completed to support pupils teacher assessments and moderate judgements on children's learning.	Improving classroom teaching identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019) 'The Pupil Premium' document uses case study of this strategy being effective Ofsted (2013)	1, 3, 8, 9
Use of Marvellous Me App to engage parents in children's learning (target 100% signing up and 60% Hi 5ing)	Effective parental engagement identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress EEF Toolkit (2021) Parent surveys have shown positive feedback for Marvellous Me (2020, 2021)	1, 5, 7, 8
Increased opportunities for parents to engage in curriculum activities e.g. Skills Builder Days, Curriculum open sessions e.g. an afternoon at the museum, Read, Write Inc. open sessions, Y6 leaver morning etc. (When Covid-19 risk assessment allows)	Effective parental engagement identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress EEF Toolkit (2021) Positive feedback from parents on feedback slips after events.	1, 5, 7, 8
Explore ways to reintegrate parents (remotely at first) back into school building in the summer term 2022 – virtual stay and read, virtual curriculum afternoons, sports days etc.	Effective parental engagement identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress EEF Toolkit (2021)	1, 5, 7, 8

Targeted academic support (for example, tutoring, one-to-one support structured interventions)

Budgeted cost: £ 40,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Nominated TA in each year group to act as 'champion' for disadvantaged children the year group	Ofsted reports on the Pupil Premium also show that allocating the best staff to smaller groups has a positive impact on the achievement of disadvantaged learners. Ofsted (2013) Deploying the best staff to support the	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 ,9, 10
	disadvantaged children identified as good practice NfER (2015)	
School to identify links to secondary schools to which we feed and build upon current practice to develop transition for disadvantaged and all vulnerable pupils readiness for children attending.	Improving classroom teaching identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019)	3, 7, 9
School to develop meaningful transition links to pre-school providers to enhance school These links also to target early identification of disadvantaged pupils	Improving classroom teaching identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019) Effective phonics teaching has a potential impact of 5 months on progress for all learners – EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019)	1, 3, 7, 9
Welcome packs given to new starters in EYFS including play based and reading activities to address low start points	Effective phonics teaching has a potential impact of 5 months on progress for all learners – EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019)	1, 3, 7, 9
Teaching assistants in each year group are aware of the Disadvantaged pupils and run pre-teaching sessions and same day interventions to ensure accelerated progress	Improving classroom teaching identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021), 'What Works' Elliot Major and Higgins (2019) Deploying the best staff to support the disadvantaged children identified as good practice NfER (2015)	1, 3, 9

Targeted children from Pupil Progress meetings to access:	Deploying the best staff to support the disadvantaged children identified as good practice NfER (2015)	1, 3, 7, 10
 school based tutoring programme 		
 National tutoring programme 		
Access to the Academic mentor programme for a mentor in school to boost targeted children	Deploying the best staff to support the disadvantaged children identified as good practice NfER (2015)	1, 3, 7, 10

Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing)

Budgeted cost: £ 40,952

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
One play psychotherapist employed 0.4 to improve children's mental health, resilience and self-esteem.	'Improving Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools' EEF (2019) Deploying the best staff to support the	2, 5
Trainee therapist (under the guidance of trained psychotherapist) to work with targeted children	disadvantaged children identified as good practice NfER (2015)	
	In house monitoring by SENCo of improved outcomes for targeted children.	
TA trained to give Thrive support to targeted disadvantaged pupils	'Improving Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools' EEF (2019)	2, 5
	Deploying the best staff to support the disadvantaged children identified as good practice NfER (2015)	
Full time Pastoral Care Worker to work with children and families to have access	'Improving Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools' EEF (2019)	2, 4, 5, 6, 10
to all activities signpost families to additional activities available e.g. surf training	Deploying the best staff to support the disadvantaged children identified as good practice NfER (2015)	
Pastoral CARE Worker trained as a Thrive practitioner	'Improving Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools' EEF (2019)	2, 5
	Behaviour Interventions identified as potentially adding 4 months to progress, EEF Toolkit (2021),	
Parent Coffee mornings led by pastoral support team once a month. Remain online until Covid-19 risk assessment allows access to school site. Trial outside in Summer term	'Improving Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools' EEF (2019)	2, 5
Engagement in aspirational careers-based education – Primary Futures	Although aspirational interventions have insufficient evidence to prove an impact on EEF Toolkit (2021) we have chosen to use these with children to encourage	7

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Financial support for disadvantaged families to attend residential trips	'The Pupil Premium – An Update' highlighted effective schools supporting children to attend residential trips Ofsted (2014) LOTC – Council for Learning Outside the Classroom states that 'helps to improve social mobility, giving children new and exciting experiences that inspire them to reach their true potential.' and that 'addresses educational inequality, re-motivating children who do not thrive in the traditional classroom environment, such as those from disadvantaged backgrounds' LOTC website (2021)	2, 6, 7, 8
Financial support for disadvantaged families to engage fully in school – including the purchase of school uniform, access to Breakfast club, school milk etc.	Evidence from Ofsted publications and research from NfER advises the use of Pupil Premium funding to remove barriers from disadvantaged pupils NfER (2017) Ofsted (2104)	2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10
Address any gaps in cultural capital which exist for disadvantaged children for example through the use of '50 Things to do before you leave Somerford' booklet. This is embedded into school curriculum.	Evidence from Ofsted publications and research from NfER advises the use of Pupil Premium funding to remove barriers from disadvantaged pupils NfER (2017) Ofsted (2104)	2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10
Early Help 'Navigator' based in school 3 days per week to proactively support children and families	'Improving Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools' EEF (2019) Deploying the best staff to support the disadvantaged children identified as good practice NfER (2015)	2, 4, 5, 6, 10
Rent a Hen – Chickens on the school site	'Improving Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools' EEF (2019)	2, 5

Total budgeted cost: £ 165,952

Part B: Review of outcomes in the previous academic year

Pupil premium strategy outcomes

This details the impact that our pupil premium activity had on pupils in the 2020 to 2021 academic year.

Covid 19 hampered our ability to meet some of our targets in 2020-2021 particularly those which were based around academic achievement. The progress we have made towards our desired outcomes is outlined below.

Desired outcomes	Progress towards desired outcomes	
Academic achievement for disadvantaged to increase and any gaps between disadvantaged pupils and their non-disadvantaged peers to be reduced.	Although there were no statutory assessments in summer 2021, our internal assessment data suggests that there is still a gap between the performance of disadvantaged children and their non-disadvantaged peers.	
	Our assessment of the reasons for these outcomes points primarily to the impact of Covid-19, which disrupted all our subject areas to varying degrees. School closure was most detrimental to our disadvantaged pupils, and they were not able to benefit from our pupil premium funded improvements to teaching and targeted interventions to the degree we had intended.	
All disadvantaged children in need of therapy,	When children returned from lockdown we identified significant needs in mental health.	
thrive interventions or ELSA will be identified and receive appropriate support	Our Pupil Premium Strategy, which includes a robust response to mental health issues through Thrive and therapeutic intervention (including play psychotherapy) has been added to by direct work with the Mental Health in Schools Team.	
Following periods of support these pupils will make at least expected progress	We also have an Early Help Navigator in school who is offering support for targeted children including the use of Think Bricks.	
Oral language skills developed quickly in disadvantaged children in EYFS and KS1	Data from Read Write Inc consistently shows children making progress across the scheme. Our reception children work with phonics from their first day in school. Our work in phonics was identified as a strength by Ofsted in November 2021 where they praised the importance of the precision teaching which the scheme facilitates. Close tracking of the children by the Read, Write Inc Lead, who is released to oversee the scheme has had a positive impact and has	

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	been praised by our Read, Write, Inc mentor, local partner school and Ofsted.	
All disadvantaged children will receive a healthy breakfast	Post lockdown disadvantaged children have returned to breakfast club. We offer places at a reduced rate for disadvantaged pupils and use the places to support families in increasing attendance for disadvantaged pupils. All disadvantaged children, regardless of whether they attend break-	
	fast club or not, are offered bagels every day.	
Disadvantaged pupils' attendance will be at least 96% Any gap between disadvantaged pupils and non-disadvantaged pupils will be no more than 1%	In periods where children were able to attend school, attendance improved for all groups including disadvantaged pupils and the gap to their non-disadvantaged peers reduced. However, attendance remains part of our current plan as a gap remains between these two groups.	
No disadvantaged pupils will be excluded from any part of our curriculum or any optional activity offered to enhance this curriculum.	No residential trips took place in 2020-2021 however we have reinstated both of our residential trips in 2022 and disadvantaged families have been offered places at a reduced rate. We have also linked directly to charities as well as signposting families to charities for support.	
Parental engagement with school will increase	Marvellous Me continues to be an effective way to communicate with and engage parents. The pandemic has meant that having parents on site has been a challenge, however we have managed remote parent consultations and remote coffee mornings. Parent surveys responses have been consistently positive around the support and communication which we have been able to offer parents through this challenging year.	
The school will work to address the impact of Covid-19 on all children and families but with particular emphasis on	Whilst we acknowledge the significant impacts of Covid 19 on our school and are able to identify this impact on both individuals and groups through our pupil progress meetings, our Pupil Premium Strategy and practice was able to go some way to mitigate against this impact.	
closing any gaps for our disadvantaged cohort.	We remained open to vulnerable families throughout the pandemic including during half term breaks. We provided hampers of food and hot meals for disadvantaged families during lockdown. We made	

	home visits to our most vulnerable families to complete welfare checks, facilitated access to digital learning and provide bespoke support for families including signposting to other services and the purchase of essential items including cookers.
All children will have access to our remote learning offer (see remote learning plan and review documents.) Additional bespoke advice and guidance offered to families as required to close gaps.	We sourced and allocated over 80 digital devices including laptops, iPads and wireless routers to support our remote learning offer. The devices came from DfE and BCP allocations as well as donations from local charities and individuals. This meant that 54% of all disadvantaged children were supported with a device, a further 23% being supported in school.

Externally provided programmes

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you purchased in the previous academic year. This will help the Department for Education identify which ones are popular in England

Programme	Provider
Read Write Inc.	Read Write Inc.
NFER termly testing	NFER
Wellcomm	Wellcomm
NELI	NELI
Marvellous Me	Marvellous Me