# **Pupil premium strategy statement**

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2022 to 2023 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	Greenhall
Number of pupils in school	30
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	20%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2021-2024
Date this statement was published	December 2022
Date on which it will be reviewed	November 2023
Statement authorised by	Full Governing Board
Pupil premium lead	Joanne di Castiglione
Governor / Trustee lead	Danielle Swan

# **Funding overview**

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£5540
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£6000
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£11540
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

Our aim is to use pupil premium funding to help us achieve and sustain positive outcomes for our disadvantaged pupils. Whilst socio-economic disadvantage is not always the primary challenge our pupils face, we do see a variance in outcomes for disadvantaged pupils across the school when compared to their peers (and those who join us at similar starting points), particularly in terms of:

- Academic attainment
- Social opportunities

Fundamental to our strategy is the belief that every child can learn but their basic needs need to be met in order to be in a position to do this e.g. hunger, feel safe and secure, sensory needs. The EEF promotes embedding opportunities for children to develop self-regulation within day-to-day activities in order to improve communication, language and literacy in the early years.

At the heart of our approach is high-quality teaching focussed on areas that our disadvantaged pupils require most – the prime areas of learning (Communication & language, Physical development, PSED) together with reading. We provide targeted support based on robust diagnostic assessment of need, and help pupils to access a broad and balanced curriculum.

Although our strategy is focused on the needs of disadvantaged pupils, it will benefit all pupils in our school where funding is spent on whole-school approaches, such as high-quality teaching. Implicit in the intended outcomes detailed below, is the intention that outcomes for non-disadvantaged pupils will be improved alongside progress for their disadvantaged peers.

Our strategy will be driven by the needs and strengths of each young person, based on formal and informal assessments, not assumptions or labels. This will help us to ensure that we offer them the relevant skills and experience they require to be prepared for the next stage of their educational journey.

### **Challenges**

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Our assessments show that in 2021-22 disadvantaged pupils generally made less progress than their peers. The small cohort size and

	individual differences in cohort and on an individual basis, together with the impact of COVID make comparisons challenging.
2	Our observations and professional expertise show that disadvantaged pupils are generally more likely to have language comprehension difficulties and generally have greater challenges around communicating and expressing their needs than their peers, including non-verbal, limited language and social interaction difficulties.
3	Through observations and conversations with families, we find that disadvantaged pupils generally have fewer opportunities to develop cultural capital outside of school. This has been accentuated by the impact of COVID.
4	Our assessments, observations and discussions with pupils and families demonstrate that the education, wellbeing and wider aspects of development of many of our disadvantaged pupils have been impacted by the pandemic to a greater extent than for other pupils. These findings are backed up by several national studies.

## **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
Pupils are able to better regulate their sensory needs	Through achievement of EHC plan termly outcomes.
Disadvantaged pupils are supported to meet their sensory needs and can therefore engage in learning for longer periods and are thus in a better position to learn	Through observations and discussions with pupils, where appropriate, and their families.
Staff are confident in meeting children's	Staff survey reflects this
sensory needs and the curriculum reflects this	Lesson observations, focussed learning walks etc. evidence this.
Staff are confident in meeting the needs of an ever-changing cohort. They have access to appropriate resources and use these effectively to provide high quality teaching.	Lesson observations & focus learning walks evidence this.
Pupils have a voice and are taught how to use this	Observations and EHC reviews evidence this.

# 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: £4215

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
CPD for staff on understanding and supporting sensory processing needs in the classroom (focus on eating and sleep)	This CPD has been well-researched and planned according to the needs of our pupils and staff skills. Monthly visits by an OT into school will provide coaching opportunities and the opportunity for staff to ask questions and clarify techniques for individual pupils. This is classed as effective CPD according to the EEF <a href="https://d2tic4wvo1iusb.cloudfront.net/documents/pages/Teacher-professional-development.pdf">https://d2tic4wvo1iusb.cloudfront.net/documents/pages/Teacher-professional-development.pdf</a> Through the process of neuroplasticity, children become more independent in their functional skills as their ability to process and integrate sensory information improves. <a href="https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10803-013-1983-8#Sec21">https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10803-013-1983-8#Sec21</a> Supporting children with sensory processing supports their ability to regulate, thus optimising learning potential.	4, 1
	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education- evidence/evidence-reviews/metacognition-and-self-regulation	
Specialist CPD for staff	This CPD has been well-researched and planned according to the needs of our pupils and staff skills.	1, 2, 3, 4
High quality resources to support communication development, thus supporting high quality teaching & learning	Resources have been well-researched and are specialised according to the needs of our cohort.  Using technology to aid staff workload guidance from Government. Providing additional access to Boardmaker will support staff and reduce frustrations. PODD alternative access will reduce staff workload.	2

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

Budgeted cost: £6325 (11 days over the academic year at £575 a day)

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Detailed individual assessments of children's sensory needs to be undertaken by qualified OT with staff then implementing these recommendations.	Through the process of neuroplasticity, children become more independent in their functional skills as their ability to process and integrate sensory information improves. <a href="https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10803-013-1983-8#Sec21">https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10803-013-1983-8#Sec21</a> Supporting children with sensory processing supports their ability to regulate, thus optimising learning potential. <a href="https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/evidence-reviews/metacognition-and-self-regulation">https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/evidence-reviews/metacognition-and-self-regulation</a>	4, 1, 2
A significant proportion of the pupils who receive an assessment will be disadvantaged.	Interventions targeted at specific needs can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one:  One to one tuition   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)  And in small groups:  Small group tuition   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF	

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

Budgeted cost: £1000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Enhancing the sensory regulation equipment available for PP learners with enhanced sensory needs, including autism. We will also fund staff training.	We have observed that sensory equipment and resources such as mattresses, lap pads, tunnels, weighted jackets and additional proprioceptor equipment can be effective at providing support for our pupils with sensory needs.	4, 1, 2
Support to parents  - Sharing of OT programmes with parents and carers to develop effective home learning environments and increased self-regulation.  - Parental workshop on	The NSPCC recommends parents and carers work with their children to create routines that provide structure to their day, partake in activities together, and assist children in expressing their emotions:  Supporting children with special educational needs and disabilities NSPCC	4, 1

sensory integration, sleep and eating - Parental workshops delivered by school staff - Support for parents who may struggle to attend due to transport issues / cost	The EEF promotes supporting parents to understand how to help their children learn	
Provision of breakfast daily to ensure that hunger is not a barrier to learning	EEF guidance on social and emotional learning (+4 months)	4

Total budgeted cost: £11540

# 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 2021 to 2022 academic year.

Our priority was to support pupils to be better able to regulate their sensory needs

Strategies – CPD for all staff on sensory integration, OT consultancy visits once a month, purchasing of sensory equipment e.g. bouncy cushion, spinning chair

### **Impact**

- Staff CPD enabled them to better support pupils with regards to their sensory needs. Their knowledge and understanding has increased which has resulted in a more tailored curriculum.
- Children that received an OT assessment has this report shared with parents and the LA so that relevant findings could be incorporated into their EHCP.
- Children are more in a position to learn following a sensory circuit / sensory diet.

The Engagement Profile illustrates increased engagement in these children.

# **Further information (optional)**

#### Planning, implementation and evaluation

In planning our new pupil premium strategy, we very much reflected on the needs of our current learners and what we saw to be their biggest barriers to learning. For our learners with ASC needs, it was overwhelmingly their sensory needs that impacted their ability to learn. Thus, developing our ability to meet these needs was a priority. This also linked well with our desire to improve well-being, particularly following the pandemic.

The unique nature of our setting (early years and SEND) means that there is limited directly related research to build upon. Thus, we have utilised findings and principles from research that is not directly related to our cohort. The size of our cohort means that funding is limited and there is currently a lag between funding being received for eligible pupils and them moving on to the next setting.

We are also further developing our teaching and effective practice through the use of Rosenshine principles to encourage teachers to develop their pedagogy and professional practice. Staff are strongly encouraged to develop expertise and share this with other staff.

We have used the EEF's implementation guidance to set out our plans and put in place a robust evaluation framework for the duration of our three-year approach. This will help us to make adjustments and quality improvement to secure better outcomes for pupils over time.