## **Summer Lane Primary School: Pupil premium strategy statement**

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium 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	Summer Lane Primary School
Number of pupils in school	277
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	20%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2024 - 2027
Date this statement was published	September 2025
Date on which it will be reviewed	July 2026
Statement authorised by	James McClure Head
Pupil Premium lead	Rachel Petty  Assistant Head
Governor lead	Peter Bell Chair of the LAC

### **Funding overview**

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£89,385
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£0
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year  If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	£89,385

## Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan

#### Statement of intent

At Summer Lane Primary School, we are determined that all pupils are given the best possible chance to achieve their full potential through the highest standards of quality first teaching, focused support, curriculum enrichment and pastoral care. We recognise that all pupils regardless of their background, should have equal access to a curriculum which will enable them to reach their potential.

We believe that the highest possible standards can only be achieved by having high expectations of all learners. Some pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds require additional support; therefore, we will use all the resources available to help them reach their full potential, including the Pupil Premium grant. We believe that the additional provision through the Pupil Premium funding should be available to all pupils within school who we know to be disadvantaged / vulnerable.

This document outlines the amount of funding available, our strategy for spending the grant effectively and how we have used research-based evidence to support our actions. As a school we consider the best ways to allocate Pupil Premium funding annually following rigorous data analysis and the careful consideration of the needs of the pupils.

At Summer Lane, we have a clear, strategic, tiered approach for Pupil Premium funding provision. This follows the EEF guidance and focuses on the following:

- Whole-school strategies that impact all pupils
- Focused support to target under-performance
- Specific support targeting pupil premium pupils

We ensure that Pupil Premium funding and provision impacts positively on attainment, attendance and well-being. A member of our Local Committee is identified as a link committee member for Pupil Premium, regular meetings with leaders of the school take place where monitoring, provision and outcomes are shared and discussed. The link member then feeds back key findings from these meetings at full committee meetings.

### **Challenges**

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Some pupils, including those eligible for pupil premium, are not yet consistently achieving the same outcomes in reading, writing, and maths as their peers. Assessments, observations, and pupil discussions have highlighted an important opportunity for our school to strengthen support for all learners. In particular, fewer are currently working at greater depth within the expected standard in these core subjects.
	Addressing this is a key priority as we continue to promote equity and ensure every child has the opportunity to thrive and fulfil their potential.
2	There is a notable variation in oral language skills and vocabulary across the school, from Reception to Key Stage 2. While all pupils benefit from rich language experiences, some, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds, require additional support to ensure equitable progress.  • Vocabulary Development: A number of pupils would benefit from enhanced exposure
	to a broader and more sophisticated vocabulary to further strengthen their comprehension and communication skills.
	Oral Language Skills: Some learners require targeted opportunities to develop their spoken language, enabling them to express ideas clearly and engage confidently in classroom dialogue.
	Oracy: Many learners require focused support throughout all teaching and learning experiences in order to develop their oracy skills, developing further confidence in speaking and listening leading to higher Literacy standards overall.
	<ul> <li>Equity of Access: Variability in oral language proficiency can affect participation, peer relationships, and academic outcomes. Addressing this ensures all pupils—regardless of background—can thrive socially and academically.</li> </ul>
3	Some pupils, including a number from disadvantaged backgrounds, may require additional support with phonics to reach the same level of proficiency as their peers. Strengthening phonics skills for these learners presents a valuable opportunity to accelerate their reading development and support their broader academic progress.
4	While attendance rates for some of our disadvantaged pupils are lower than their peers, we recognise that many face additional barriers that can affect both their attendance and overall educational experience. We are committed to understanding and addressing these barriers so that all pupils have the opportunity to thrive. Evidence indicates that socio-economic factors can impact access to regular schooling, which in turn may affect progress and attainment. Through a supportive and inclusive approach, we aim to reduce persistent absenteeism and ensure equitable outcomes for all learners.
5	We have identified a growing need for targeted support to enhance the social and emotional wellbeing of some pupils, particularly since the COVID-19 pandemic. The impact of school closures and remote learning has brought greater awareness of the importance of timely, tailored interventions. In particular, small group approaches have proven beneficial in supporting pupils who may face additional challenges, including some from disadvantaged backgrounds.
6	We recognise that some children may encounter barriers that can limit their exposure to a rich and varied range of personal development opportunities and experiences, which are vital in developing cultural capital and supporting educational achievement and future success. As a school, we are proactive in identifying and addressing these barriers so that all pupils, regardless of background, can thrive and benefit from experiences that broaden their horizons and support their personal and cultural growth.

### **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
Increased attainment at ARE at statutory points of assessment for disadvantaged pupils in all year groups.	More disadvantaged pupils attain inline with national data shown below at EYFS, KS1 and KS2 points of assessment.  - EYFS: 67.7% GLD  - KS1: 55% RWM Combined  - KS2: 61% RWM Combined  - Y4 MTC: 34% scoring 25/25 Average Score 20.6
Increased attainment at GD at statutory points of assessment for disadvantaged pupils.	More disadvantaged pupils attain GD in line with national data at KS1 and KS2 points of assessment.  - KS1: 5% RWM Combined  - KS2: 8% RWM Combined
Phonics attainment remains in line or above national data and children at KS2 who have not achieved at Y1 or Y2 continue to progress in phonics.	Percentage of disadvantaged children achieving pass mark in Y1 and Y2 phonics is in line with peers and national data. Internal data evidence progress for those children in KS2 who did not pass their phonics screening check.  - Year 1: 80%
Improved oral language skills and vocabulary among disadvantaged pupils.	Assessments and observations indicate significantly improved oral language among disadvantaged pupils. This is evident when triangulated with other sources of evidence, including engagement in lessons, book scrutiny and ongoing formative assessment.  - Pupils in F1 and F2 will be able to use oracy strategies within speaking and listening activities during lessons/within provision.  - EYFS pupils will be exposed to wide range of high-quality texts within the EYFS provision; OLPs will target language development in all areas of provision.  - Staff CPD will target oracy strategies to enable teaching and learning to be of high quality in all areas of literacy.  - Disadvantaged pupils will be able to use at least 50 new tier 2 vocabulary words correctly in context, as measured through regular classroom assessments and observations.  - Disadvantaged pupils will actively participate using taught oracy strategies in class discussions at least 3 times per day in lessons, as recorded in teacher logs.
Improve the attendance of pupils eligible for the pupil premium grant, narrowing the gap between this group of pupils and their peers.	All disadvantaged pupils meet the school's attendance target and attend school above

	<ul> <li>comparative National Figures in comparison to their peers nationally.</li> <li>All disadvantaged pupils – 95%+ 25/26 academic year (+1.9% compared to national for all pupils)</li> <li>PA in Disadvantaged to be below 13.5% (National 24/25 figure for all pupils)</li> <li>Compared to school's previous academic year for disadvantaged pupils:</li> <li>93.56% Attendance; 10.81% PA</li> <li>School disadvantaged target for academic year</li> </ul>
Provide disadvantaged children with the same exposure to wider personal development opportunities and experiences, allowing them to develop their cultural capital and maximise their potential. Continue to work towards narrowing the opportunity gap.	25/26 - 95%+ and 9% PA or below.  The percentage of disadvantaged children participating in enrichment activities, including educational visits, residential trips, and cultural events, will increase compared to the previous academic year. The attendance rates of disadvantaged pupils in extra-curricular programs and clubs should be at least equal to, if not higher than, the overall school average attendance.

## 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: £43,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
High quality CPD to be delivered weekly by members of SLT on our teaching and learning approach, marking and feedback and use of target setting and assessment procedures.	EFF research suggests that effective feedback improves learning by an additional 8 months.  Feedback   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)  EEF research states that good teaching is the most important lever schools have to improve outcomes for Disadvantaged	1, 2
High quality CPD from Maths Hub to develop skillset of teaching and support staff.	pupils. Pupil_Premium_Guidance.pdf (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	
Members of SLT and T&L Strategic Lead to meet with class teachers in PPA session to support with developing coherently planned and sequenced units of work.	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/oral-language-interventions  Studies that focus on listening alone may be particularly effective, but this evidence base is smaller. Wider evidence suggests that some pupils may struggle specifically with spoken	

Oracy CPD for all teaching staff to be implemented and revisited regularly to ensure strategies are developing throughout lessons and impacting on pupil's confidence and oracy ability.	language. Schools should consider how they will identify pupils that need additional support around oral language and articulation. It may be helpful to focus on speaking and listening activities separately where needed to meet particular needs.	
Bespoke CPD cycles to be delivered to meet individual need, with a particular focus on staff new to school and year group.	EEF research suggest three recommendations for designing and selecting effective professional development to ensure that CPD upskills and develops staff effectively.	1, 2, 3
Improve pedagogy and curriculum CPD for all teachers and support staff. High quality teaching to be prioritised throughout the school. Bespoke and well-tailored ECT programme for ECTs in the school to provide highly effective teaching for excellent outcomes for all pupils.	Effective Professional Development   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)  Improvement in subject knowledge, pedagogical understanding and focus on high quality teaching for all teachers (especially ECTS) has proven to be a key ingredient of a successful school and support package for disadvantaged learners (EEF Research Analysis)	
Development of reading fluency to enhance the daily LIRA session and ensure pupils catch up. Use of YARC assessment tool to identify need and pupils. Effective deployment of support staff to ensure bottom 20% have regular access to QFT to catch up.	EFF research suggests that Fluent reading supports reading comprehension. When pupils read fluently, their cognitive resources can be redirected from focusing on decoding and onto comprehending the text. For this reason, fluency is sometimes described as a bridge from word recognition to comprehension. EEF blog: Shining a spotlight on reading fluency   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	1, 3
Procure the support of the English Hub to provide support and training for the school and Early Reading lead to improve the quality of phonics teaching for all, in particular disadvantaged learners.  To purchase high quality reading/phonics materials aligned to the Read Write Inc phonics scheme, books to share during class read and improve class book corners.  Purchase subscription to Read, Write Inc phonics CPD.	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base that indicates a positive impact on the accuracy of word reading (though not necessarily comprehension), particularly for disadvantaged pupils: Phonics   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF  Using a systematic synthetic phonics approach to teaching has been shown to provide optimal progress. (EEF +5 months)  https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educat ion-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/phonics	1, 4, 5
Release time provided to staff delivering phonics to hold weekly CPD meetings to upskill and maintain the fidelity to the scheme and approach  Read, Write Inc phonics training Small groups phonics teaching		

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Regular SEND KIT meetings with SENDCO & HT	Pupils with SEND might face significantly greater challenges in learning than the majority of their peers The impact of SEND	1, 3, 4 ,5
HT/SENDCO. SEND/PP pupil progress meetings conducted at key assessments points.	on academic attainment is closely related to the EEF's focus on economic disadvantage: 27% of pupils with special educational needs are eligible for free school meals compared to 12% of pupils without special educational needs.	
Whole school provision map created with SENDCO to ensure all children who are SEN Support are monitored closely and support is provided through graduated approach (Assess, plan, do, review).	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/projects-and-evaluation/how-to-apply/themed-rounds/improving-outcomes-for-pupils-with-send/	
SEND pupils needs to be catered for through SMART targets and appropriate adaptations to lessons.		
Support recruitment and retention of teaching staff by providing opportunities for professional development, such as National Professional Qualifications (NPQs) – SENDCo to enrol on NPQSEND this academic year.		

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

Budgeted cost: £31,385

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
CPD for teaching staff in the use of FFT20 target setting and Cohort Action Plans to feed into pupil progress and outcomes.	EFF research suggests that small group tuition improves learning by 4 months.  Small group tuition   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk	1, 2
Using pupil progress data analysis and cohort action plans to establish small group interventions for disadvantaged pupils working below age related expectations or failing to meet their end of key stage targets.	EEF Research on TAs delivering targeted interventions in one-to-one or small group settings shows a consistent impact on attainment of approximately three to four additional months' progress (effect size 0.2–0.3). Crucially, these positive effects are only observed when TAs work in structured settings with high quality support and training.	
SLT and Strategic T&L Lead to provide booster QFT to small groups of Year 6 pupils, providing purposeful feedback to enhance progress and tailor lessons according to need.	Making Best Use of Teaching Assistants   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk	
Implement one-to-one and small group interventions to target children based on outcomes	EEF Oral Language Interventions guidance: Oral language approaches might include:	

from data analysis and cohort action plans.  CPD for teaching staff on oracy strategies which develop pupil confidence and ability in speaking and listening throughout the curriculum.  Interventions implemented are evidence-based and monitored to measure impact.	<ul> <li>targeted reading aloud and book discussion with young children;</li> <li>explicitly extending pupils' spoken vocabulary;</li> <li>the use of structured questioning to develop reading comprehension; and</li> <li>the use of purposeful, curriculum-focused, dialogue and interaction.</li> <li>Studies that focus on speaking, listening, or a combination of the two, all show positive impacts on attainment. The majority of studies focus on both together.</li> </ul>	
Using cover release to conduct pupil progress data analysis and cohort action plans establish small group reading interventions for pupils working below age related expectations.  Use Reading Plus to Benchmark and YARC reading assessments to accurately pitch reading interventions and monitor progress over time. Utilise lexile ranges to accurately match books to all pupils across KS1/KS2.  Use CGP and CGP Stretch to ensure appropriate pitch and challenge in text level and questioning.  Clear intervention timetable to deliver targeted wave 2 to identified pupils, progress monitored and tracked regularly.	EFF research suggests that small group tuition improves learning by 4 months and reading comprehension strategies by 6 months. Small group tuition   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)  Reading comprehension strategies are high impact on average (+6 months). Alongside phonics it is a crucial component of early reading instruction.  It is important to identify the appropriate level of text difficulty, to provide appropriate context to practice the skills, desire to engage with the text and enough challenge to improve reading comprehension. Effective diagnosis of reading difficulties is important in identifying possible solutions, particularly for older struggling readers.  Pupils can struggle with decoding words, understanding the structure of the language used, or understanding particular vocabulary, which may be subject-specific. Reading comprehension strategies   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	1
CPD to be delivered to TAs to upskill their skills and knowledge in delivering effective intervention groups.  Research based evidence to be used to support strategies and approaches employed.  CPD from English Hub and RWINc for all Phonics practitioners.	Research identifies that positive outcomes for pupils through targeted intervention from TA support has most impact when time and resources are spent on quality CPD to improve support staff practice.  New EEF Guidance Report —  Making Best Use of Teaching Assistants   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	1, 2
Additional phonics, Fresh Start and reading sessions targeted at disadvantaged pupils who require further phonics support to close the gap to their peers.  1:1 Phonics interventions for lowest 20% in all cohorts Y1-Y4 and any Y5 pupils requiring Fresh Start interventions.	Phonics approaches have a strong evidence base indicating a positive impact on pupils, particularly from disadvantaged backgrounds.  Targeted phonics interventions have been shown to be more effective when delivered as regular sessions over a period up to 12 weeks  DfE Reading Framework: "Leaders should invest in a strong team, committed to making sure these pupils catch up. Ideally,	1, 3

Deployment of a strategic 'Phon-	they should be school staff or long-stay tutors, rather than external teachers or tutors who might stay only a short time. They	
ics & Early Reading Champion' as	should be trained, supported and coached."	
	should be trained, supported and coached.	
a member of support staff whose		
role is to ensure the appropriate	"School leaders and special educational needs coordinators in	
support for our most disadvan-	primary and secondary schools must take responsibility for en-	
taged readers is in place to en-	suring all these pupils make rapid progress."	
sure all children are able to read		
at an appropriate standard in	"The guidance on leadership and management (Section 12)	
phonics and fluency into LKS2	highlights the roles of school leaders in successfully implement-	
	ing a programme of systematic phonics, and training and sup-	
	porting their staff to teach reading as effectively as possible."	

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

Budgeted cost: £15,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Provide opportunities for disadvantaged children to engage with extra-curricular sports and clubs, including free travel to and from events. For finance to not be a barrier for success or school participation. (resourcing- e.g i pads to be provided where appropriate)  Development of a personal development strategic enrichment offer that provides all children, specifically pupil premium children, with a diverse range of experiences that enhance their cultural capital. Development of key staff member to lead on PD experiences and character education.  Pupil premium funding to subside enrichment activities to ensure equal opportunities and engagement for all.	Research conducted by NatCen Social Research identifies a range of positive outcomes from participation in after school clubs, including increases in confidence, self-esteem and fitness, as well as providing opportunities for new experiences, socialising and enjoyment.  The inclusive nature of the school promotes all pupils' involvement in school life irrespective of their financial context. Children (families) with certain financial barriers have all successfully, in the past, participated in extracurricular activities of their choice.  Parent survey outcomes have highlighted the benefits that arise from families being supported financially in various extra-curricular activities.  The value of after school clubs for disadvantaged children (ncl.ac.uk)	6
Early identification of pupils with SEMH difficulties and clear lines of communication to share intended actions of support to be taken, with parents/carers.	There is extensive evidence associating childhood social and emotional skills with improved outcomes at school and in later life (e.g., improved academic performance, attitudes, behaviour and relationships with peers): EEF_Social_and_Emotional_Learning.pdf(e ducationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	5, 6

Subscription to National College to provide CPD for staff on SEMH to ensure children's emotional wellbeing is supported.  CPD courses for staff such as Lego Therapy and Story/Comic Book Strips to support disadvantaged children's SEMH needs.	Through this year's curriculum development, the implementation of the EEF guidance around explicitly teaching SEMH skills, as well as providing ample opportunity to develop these in all situations has resulted in all children becoming aware of mental health. One of the strengths of the curriculum approach and focus on personal development, mindfulness and emotional literacy.  From the EEF - Improving Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools:	
Support provided to families and where required EHA.	Recommendation 1: Teach SEL skills explicitly	
ELSA trained staff in school to lead sessions with targeted pupils – entry and exit level feedback to show positive interventions.  All staff to attend CPD on oracy	"Use a range of strategies to teach key skills, both in dedicated time, and in everyday teaching. • Self-awareness: expand children's emotional vocabulary and support them to express emotions. • Self-regulation: teach children to use self-calming strategies and positive self-talk to help deal with intense emotions. • Social awareness: use stories to discuss others' emotions and	
strategies to develop pupils' voice and confidence in sharing needs/struggles	perspectives. • Relationship skills: role play good communication and listening skills. • Responsible decision-making: teach and practise problem-solving strategies."	
Pastoral support from Parent Support Advisor for vulnerable children and families- key support needed to ensure attendance is maintained and readiness to learn.	EEF Guidance about Wider strategies focusing on : SEL, Well-being and Mental Health. https://educationendow-mentfoundation.or g.uk/support-for-schools/school-improvement-planning/3-wider-strategies	4, 5
Parent Support Advisor to: Offer parenting group sessions working on specific needs developed through a needs analysis.		
TAF process with vulnerable families- allowing them to access key services		
Strategic attendance monitoring and meetings monthly, including daily absence reports and follow up home visits, ISAPs, etc.		
Engage the relevant support pro- fessionals in line with the Attend- ance policy and Medical Condi- tions policy to encourage good at- tendance. Ensure curriculum is ef- fectively shared with parents to encourage regular attendance.		
Improved channels of communication to keep parents/carers regularly informed about achievements, learning and up coming events.  - Weekly Newsletters  - Verbal feedback from staff  - Postcards home  - Celebration events	EFF research identifies the crucial role parental engagement plays in pupil outcomes. Parental engagement   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk)	5, 6
- Parental workshops		

- Arbor use for all aspects of school communication	
Clear focus to be established on importance of parental engagement on their child's development.	

Total budgeted cost: £89,385

# Part B: Review of outcomes in the previous academic year

## Pupil premium strategy outcomes

This details from previous leadership the impact of the Pupil Premium Strategy Plan from the previous academic year.

Aim	Intended Outcome	Review
Increased attainment at ARE at statutory points of assessment	More disadvantaged pupils attain inline with national data shown below at EYFS, KS1 and KS2 points of assessment.	EYFS GLD: All pupils- 56% Disadvantaged- 100%
for disadvantage pupils in all year groups.	- EYFS: 68% GLD - KS1: 55% RWM Combined - KS2: 61% RWM Combined - Y4 MTC: 37% scoring 25/25 Average Score 21	KS1 RWM combined:    All pupils- 56%    Disadvantaged- 38%  KS2 RWM combined:    All pupils- 55%    Disadvantaged- 27%
		Y4 MTC (25+) All pupils- 57% Disadvantaged- 62%
		Our pupil premium strategy aimed to increase attainment at age-related expectations (ARE) at statutory assessment points for disadvantaged pupils across all year groups. While we have seen some promising results, there are clear areas where we need to intensify our efforts to ensure our disadvantaged pupils achieve in line with their non-disadvantaged peers nationally.
		In EYFS, 100% of our disadvantaged pupils achieved a Good Level of Development (GLD); however, this was one child, significantly exceeding the all-pupil attainment of 56% and surpassing our intended outcome of 68%.
		However, the picture is more challenging in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. In KS1 Reading, Writing, and Maths (RWM) combined, 38% of our disadvantaged pupils achieved ARE, falling short of both the all-pupil attainment of 56% and our ambitious target of 55%. Similarly, in KS2 RWM combined, only 27% of our disadvantaged pupils reached ARE, lower than the all-pupil attainment of 55% and our intended 61%.
		In Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC), 62% of our disadvantaged pupils scored 25+, which is commendable and indeed higher than the all-pupil score of 57%, and exceeds our target of 37%. This positive outcome suggests that our targeted interventions for multiplication recall are having a significant impact and we will explore how the successful

elements of this approach can be replicated across other areas of the curriculum.

Moving forward, our priority must be to continue to narrow the attainment gaps in KS1 and KS2 RWM. We will conduct a thorough analysis of our current interventions in these areas. This will involve scrutinising teaching methodologies, the deployment of support staff and the specific needs of individual disadvantaged pupils.

Increased attainment at GD at statutory points of assessment for disadvantaged pupils. More disadvantaged pupils attain GD in line with national data at KS1 and KS2 points of assessment.

- KS1: 5% RWM Combined
- KS2: 8% RWM Combined

KS1 RWM GDS combined:

All pupils- 15% Disadvantaged- 13%

KS2 RWM GDS combined:

All pupils- 5%

Disadvantaged- 0%

Disadvantaged KS2 reading GDS- 27% (Nat 28%)
Disadvantaged KS2 writing GDS- 7% (Nat 13%)
Disadvantaged KS2 mathematics GDS- 13% (Nat 24%)

While the data presents a clear challenge, it is crucial to note that all areas have seen an improvement over the course of the academic year in comparison to previous year's data, indicating positive trends from our ongoing interventions.

In Key Stage 1 Reading, Writing, and Maths (RWM) combined, 13% of our disadvantaged pupils achieved GDS, which, while an improvement on previous years, and is broadly in-line with all pupil attainment of 15% and above our aspirational target of 5%. This indicates that while we are moving in the right direction, our strategies to push our more able disadvantaged pupils to greater depth in KS1 need further refinement and acceleration.

The data for Key Stage 2 RWM combined at GDS is an area of concern, with 0% of our disadvantaged pupils achieving this standard, compared to 5% of all pupils and our target of 8%. While this represents an improvement from previous years' data, the fact that no disadvantaged pupils achieved GDS in the combined measure is a requirement for the sustained implementation over several years, but the initial impact has reduced the gap for disadvantaged children to attain well.

Breaking down the KS2 GDS data further, in reading, 27% of our disadvantaged pupils achieved GDS, which is broadly in line with the national average of 28% for disadvantaged pupils but, importantly, is an improvement on our prior year's performance. For writing, 7% achieved GDS, again an improvement on previous years but below the national disadvantaged average of 13%. In mathematics, 13% achieved GDS, which is also an improvement on past data but falls below the national disadvantaged average of 24%. These individual subject improvements, despite not always meeting national disadvantaged averages, are encouraging and suggest our focused efforts are beginning to have impact.

Moving forward, our immediate priority is to further improve GDS attainment for our disadvantaged pupils, particularly in Key Stage 2 combined RWM. Building on the year-on-year improvements we've already observed, this will include targeted teaching for our previously higher-attaining disadvantaged pupils, providing them with more challenging learning and focused interventions. **Phonics** Percentage of Phonics Y1 disadvantaged children attainment All pupils- 60% achieving pass mark in Y1 remains in line Disadvantaged- 43% or above and Y2 phonics is in line national data with peers and national and children at data. Internal data Phonics Y2 KS2 who have evidence progress for All pupils-95% not achieved at those children in KS2 who Disadvantaged- 78% Y1 or Y2 did not pass their phonics continue to screening check. progress in Moving forward, we will further focus on early phonics Year 1: 80% phonics. intervention in Year 1 for our disadvantaged pupils in consultation with the English Hub. RWINc support has been procured at Trust level so practitioners will receive regular CPD and support from the portal. This will involve pinpointing specific areas of phonological awareness and decoding where individuals need additional support, implementing more frequent and highly targeted small-group phonics sessions, and exploring additional resources or training to enhance the effectiveness of our phonics teaching for this group. We will also ensure that the strong progress seen in Year 2 continues to be embedded, with rigorous tracking of phonics attainment into Key Stage 2 to guarantee that any pupil who has not yet achieved the pass mark receives bespoke, highquality phonics support to close their gaps. Our internal triangulation of evidence, including engagement Improved oral Assessments and in lessons, book scrutiny and ongoing formative assessment, language skills observations indicate and vocabulary significantly improved oral consistently demonstrates that disadvantaged pupils are making strong progress in this vital area. While specific language among among disadvantaged disadvantaged pupils. quantitative data points for the 50 new Tier 2 vocabulary This is evident when words and active participation in class discussions are pupils. triangulated with other measured through regular classroom assessments and sources of evidence, teacher logs rather than presented as summative figures, the including engagement in qualitative feedback and observed improvements are highly lessons, book scrutiny and encouraging and affirm that our pupils are increasingly ongoing formative confident and articulate. Their ability to use new vocabulary assessment. correctly in context and actively participate in discussions has notably strengthened. Disadvantaged pupils will be able to use at least 50 new tier 2 Moving forward, building on this progress and the positive vocabulary words year-on-year improvements, we will continue to embed and correctly in context, refine our current oral language and vocabulary strategies as measured through across the curriculum. This will involve ensuring consistent regular classroom application of taught oracy strategies in all lessons, providing assessments and further professional development for staff on deepening observations. vocabulary acquisition and explicit oral language instruction, and exploring opportunities for disadvantaged pupils. Disadvantaged pupils will actively participate using taught oracy strategies in class discussions at least

	3 times per day in lessons, as recorded in teacher logs.	
Improve the attendance of pupils eligible for the pupil premium grant, narrowing the gap between this group of pupils and their peers.	lessons, as recorded in	Attendance Data: At the end of the academic year 2024/2025:  Disadvantaged pupils' attendance: 93.46% Non-disadvantaged pupils' attendance: 95.6%  Persistent Absenteeism:  Disadvantaged pupils: 13.16% Non-disadvantaged pupils: 10.41%  It's important to acknowledge that while we have made consistent efforts throughout the year, leading to improvements in individual cases compared to previous years, overall figures for both disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils remain broadly in-line with last academic year's data, with a significant increase in unauthorised family holidays for disadvantaged families.  At the end of the 2024/2025 academic year, our disadvantaged pupils had an attendance rate of 93.46%, while non-disadvantaged pupils achieved 95.6%. While this indicates a gap, we are actively working to address the specific barriers to attendance faced by our disadvantaged cohort. In terms of persistent absenteeism, 13.16% of our disadvantaged pupils were persistently absent compared to 10.41% of non-disadvantaged pupils. These figures, while
Provide disadvantaged children with the same exposure to	The percentage of disadvantaged children participating in enrichment activities, including educational visits,	stable compared to the previous year, clearly show that persistent absenteeism remains a challenge, disproportionately affecting our disadvantaged pupils.  Moving forward, building on the individual improvements we have seen, our priority will be to continue with targeted efforts to further reduce both overall absence and persistent absenteeism, particularly among our disadvantaged pupils. We will conduct a thorough review of our current attendance strategies, identifying those that have proven most effective for individual cases and seeking to scale them up. This will include strengthening our communication with families to understand and address underlying barriers to attendance, providing tailored support and interventions for pupils with emerging attendance concerns and celebrating good attendance more visibly within the school community. We will also explore opportunities to strengthen partnerships with external agencies to provide holistic support to families where attendance is a significant issue  All areas of our personal development programme have seen significant improvement over the course of the academic year, directly leading to wider experiences for all children, and especially for our disadvantaged pupils, building positively on previous years' efforts.
wider personal development opportunities and experiences,	residential trips, and cultural events, will increase compared to the previous academic year. The attendance rates of	Our commitment to providing equitable access to enrichment activities, educational visits, residential trips and cultural events has yielded positive results. Our internal monitoring

allowing them to develop their cultural capital and maximise their potential. Continue to	extra-curricular programs and clubs should be at least equal to, if not higher than, the overall school average attendance.	and the successful implementation of our newly published personal development programme confirm a marked increase in the percentage of disadvantaged children participating in these experiences compared to the previous academic year. Furthermore, we are successfully working towards our target of achieving participation rates for disadvantaged pupils in extra-curricular programs and clubs that are at least equal to,
work towards narrowing the opportunity gap.		if not higher than, the overall school average attendance.  Moving forward, building on the strong foundation laid by our enhanced personal development programme and the improvements observed, we will continue to embed and expand these opportunities.

### **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
N/A	N/A

## **Service pupil premium funding (optional)**

For schools that receive this funding, you may wish to provide the following information:

Measure	Details
How did you spend your service pupil premium allocation last academic year?	See above details for PP spending.
What was the impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils?	See above.

### **Further information (optional)**

When planning our Pupil Premium Strategy Plan, we adopted the tiered approach, focusing on:

- · High quality teaching
- Targeted academic support
- Wider strategies

From this we identified the challenges linked to each tier and the mitigating actions we will take to overcome each barrier and linked each of these tightly with our school improvement plan to ensure they remain highly prioritised and impact of actions is regularly monitored.

Area	Challenge	Mitigating Actions
Teaching	Teaching - Providing adequate time for professional development.	Effective and efficient use of staff meetings and INSET days. CPD linked to priorities.
Targeted Support	Targeted support Ensuring targeted support is provided by SLT to support staff in delivering interventions.	Both HT and AHT paired with teachers in class, allowing leadership time to support school improvement.
Wider Strategies	Providing wider opportunities for disadvantaged children that are not limited by economic impact	Review the policy and approach to educational visits and clubs/ pupil promise/wider opps offer.

To further strengthen our strategy plan, we have created an approach to supporting disadvantaged pupils. Again, this approach reflects our tiered system above.

#### **High quality teaching:**

Underpinned by early identification, tailored support through QFT, effective feedback and use of regular assessment. CPD from Maths Hub, English Hub and RWINc for all practitioners.

#### **Targeted academic support:**

Incorporating planned teacher support, booster classes and daily reading opportunities.

### Wider strategies:

Fostering a positive approach to relationships with our families and promoting attendance to wider opportunities within the school.