

Pupil Premium

Pupil Premium Report for 2018-19

Our Pupil Premium Grant for the financial year 2018-19 is £14,180.

Of the 270 children attending St James' CE Infants School there are 6 children (Year 1 and 2) receiving pupil premium funding.

The school receives £1320 for each child eligible for pupil premium and £1900 for each child eligible for pupil premium plus funding.

The funding is being used in a number of ways to support raising the attainment of vulnerable children. The school has identified emotional wellbeing and speech and language to be two key barriers to learning.

The grant is being used for the following:

- To provide small group work for children in Year R with speech and language needs.
- To provide 1-1 play therapy sessions with a Fegans counsellor.
- Early Literacy Support groups for children in Year 2.
- Additional phonics groups for children in Year 2.
- To provide a Nurture Group for children in Year R and Year 1 so that vulnerable children can learn in a small group setting.
- To provide additional Forest Schools sessions for vulnerable children.
- To enable vulnerable children to attend extra-curricular after school clubs such as art club and football club and to support parents with funding school trips.

This provision has had a positive impact on pupil progress throughout the school.

Impact of Pupil Premium at St James' CE (Aided) Infants School 2017-18

In the year 2017-18 the number of children receiving pupil premium grant was 8 out of a total number of children at the school of 270. The pupil premium grant was £22,030.

The main barriers to learning for children receiving pupil premium in 2017-18 were:

- Lower baseline assessment scores on average
- A higher percentage also had Special Educational Needs
- Higher levels of emotional needs
- Lower attendance levels
- A higher percentage of children with Speech and Language Needs

The provision listed below was all accessed by children receiving pupil premium funding during the school year 2017-18.

| Provision | Impact |
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| Nurture Groups in Year R and 1 | Confidence and wellbeing of pupil premium children improved. |
| Talk Boost in Year R | All pupil premium children in Year R accessed Talk Boost and achieved improved scores when language was reassessed at the end of the year. |
| Play therapy with Fegans | Supporting the children to have improved emotional wellbeing. |
| Funding for school trips | Parents do not need to concern themselves with funding school trips. |
| Funding for extra-curricular activities including sport, music and art. | Children able to access enrichment activities that may not be otherwise available to them. |

Of the four children receiving pupil premium funding in Year 2, three children achieved the expected level in all areas at the end of Key Stage One.