

Pupil Premium 2015/16

Pupil Premium – What is this?

Every year, our school receives a financial support payment, calculated on the number of pupils who are in receipt of free school meals (FSM). This is known as 'Pupil Premium' and is approximately £900 (2014/15) per pupil having FSM. It is additional funding for publicly funded schools in England to raise attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the gap between them and their peers. The pupil premium fund was introduced in April 2011, initially for children eligible for free school meals or had been looked after in local authority care for at least 6 months. From April 2012, pupil premium funding was extended to children eligible for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years.

Why has it been introduced?

The Government states that its purpose is to provide schools with additional resources, outside of the school budget to deal with inequalities between families with differing incomes. Such circumstances can often lead to differing educational and social outcomes. (FSM is only the means for calculating the amount of Pupil Premium allocated to the school and is not a limiting factor as to who benefits from it.)

It is the school's duty to decide how best to invest this money to support pupils within its responsibility and to report how the money is spent to school stakeholders, including Governors and parents.

Provision

For the academic year of 2015/16 Repton Primary has allocated the Pupil Premium funding (around £1,320 per pupil to all pupils who had been registered for FSM over the last 6 years) to the following school initiatives and support:

Positive Play provision

This is a programme where targeted children with social and emotional challenges such as lacking in self-esteem, finding team work difficult etc receive a nurturing programme.

Teaching Assistant support

Support to all pupil premium children in class individually or as part of a group (including targeted intervention groups) as well as individual 1:1 time supported by TA's eg: in assembly time. This 1:1 targeted work is to support the learning and emotional well being of individuals to enable all pupil premium pupils to aim for at least expected progress for their age group.

Under performing children also receive additional 1:1 support weekly from an experienced Higher Level Teaching Assistant in Reading, Writing and/or Maths as appropriate to each individual. This 1:1 targeted work again, is to support the learning and emotional well being of individuals to enable all pupil premium pupils to aim for at least expected progress for their age group.

Pupil Premium is calculated against the number of free school meals issued to the school. If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals, please contact the school office. It is a confidential and simple process.

