

The Pupil Premium Grant 2016-17

In 2016/2017, the Pupil Premium Deprivation Grant estimated allocation to Lord Derby Academy is £457,480 which equates to 489 pupils and is worth £935 per pupil.

The Pupil Premium is grant funding and is in addition to the School's Delegated Budget. It is allocated to children from low-income families, children who have been looked after continuously for more than six months and children with parent(s) in the Armed Forces. Pupil Premium Funding is used to raise attainment, promote social skills, independent learning and positive behaviour in order to increase pupil progress.

Pupil Premium children face many barriers to educational achievement. At LDA these barriers may include:

- Gaps in literacy and numeracy skills
- Low reading ages on entry
- Attendance and punctuality issues
- Financial access to educational opportunities
- Confidence and low self-esteem
- Complex family issues

Pupil Premium Funding is used to raise attainment, promote social skills, independent learning and positive behaviour in order to increase pupil progress. The Government believes that the Pupil Premium, which is additional to main school funding, is the best way to address the current underlying inequalities between children eligible for free school meals (FSM) and their peers by ensuring that funding to tackle disadvantage reaches the pupils who need it most.

In most cases the Pupil Premium is allocated to schools and is clearly identifiable. It is for the school to decide how the Pupil Premium is spent. However, schools will be held accountable for how they have used the additional funding to support pupils from low-income families. New measures will be included in the performance tables that will capture the achievement of the pupils covered by the Pupil Premium.

At Lord Derby Academy we target additional support strategies to enable every student, however financially disadvantaged, to:

- Encourage a love of learning
- Improve their levels of progress and attainment
- Close attainment gaps relative to school averages
- Have full access to the curriculum
- Access extra-curricular provision
- Provide additional support to eligible families

At Lord Derby Academy we have directed the funding to support the following interventions:

- Booster and 1:1 intervention Classes
- Hobbies/Interests
- Incentives

- Mentoring/staffing
- Personal resources including ICT support
- Trips and Residential Visits
- Uniform
- Literacy/Numeracy additional support