# Pupil premium strategy statement – Milford Primary School

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium 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 outcomes for disadvantaged pupils last academic year.

#### **School overview**

Detail	Data	
Number of pupils in school	79	
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	15.2%	
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3-year plans are recommended – you must still publish an updated statement each academic year)	2024-25 2025-26 2026-27	
Date this statement was published	December 2025	
Date on which it will be reviewed	December 2026	
Statement authorised by	Emma Roberts Headteacher	
Pupil premium lead	Emma Roberts	
Governor / Trustee lead	Stevie Barker (Governor)	

### **Funding overview**

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£ 17,760
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£ 0.00
Total budget for this academic year	£ 17,760
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

At Milford Primary School, we value and nurture each individual and aim to ensure that all children reach their full potential. We believe that every child can achieve their potential, regardless of background. Through excellent quality teaching, specific interventions and wider opportunities, our strategy is designed to meet our children's pastoral, social and academic needs within a nurturing environment. We aim to ensure each child develops a love for learning and acquires the skills, abilities and aspirations to live a fulfilling life.

#### **Challenges**

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Poor engagement with reading at home; low use of productive, ambitious vocabulary.
2	Lack of resilience and positive attitude
3	Attainment gap in writing, reading and mathematics
4	Punctuality and attendance
5	Reduced Cultural capital

#### 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
PP children without SEND will achieve in line with or better than non-PP peers and make expected or better than expected progress in order to achieve this.	All PP children without SEND achieve ARE (age related expectations) or greater depth
PP children with SEND achieve their potential and make good progress	PP children with SEND will make expected or above progress in relation to with their personalised targets

PP read regularly and are supported to read in school PP are reading age-appropriate books with understanding and are able to communicate this both verbally and in writing	PP children read to adult in school at least 3 times a week
All PP children have improved resilience and a positive attitude to school  PP concentrate and are engaged throughout lessons	PP children will show resilience and positive attitude in class and around school: reports from staff and results of pupil discussions / questionnaires  Pupil take pride in themselves as learners as shown by the quality of their books and their engagement and attitude to learning in lessons
Improved attendance and lateness	PP consistently achieving over 96% attendance and reduced incidence of lateness

### Activity in this academic year

This details how we intend to spend our pupil premium funding **this academic year** to address the challenges listed above.

#### Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £ 3100

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Continue to develop High Quality Mastery Maths Approach – making effective use of White Rose Maths.	EEF guidance on pupil premium suggests a 3 tier approach 1st tier – good quality teaching "The best available evidence indicates that great teaching is the most important lever schools have to improve outcomes for their pupils" (EEF)  As explained in the EEF's Effective Professional Development document, effective CPD builds knowledge, motivates teachers and helps them develop techniques. By engaging in the NPQ programmes, we know they are well designed and led by experts.	3, 2
develop staff		

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knowledge in		
maths	The EEF guidance is based on a range of the best	
through high quality	available evidence:	
training	Improving Mathematics in Key Stages 2 and 3	
opportunities		
for maths	'Children can feel more positive about intervention prior to the	
lead	lesson and, therefore, it can boost their confidence and self-	
(NPQLPM	concept' – (Polak, 2017; Earle and Rickard 2017)	
training)		
	'Pre-teaching is more effective than re-teaching as it can transform the way a child sees themselves – (Minkel 2015)	
Fund subject	tiansion the way a child sees themselves – (Millikei 2013)	
leader		
release time to monitor	Monitoring the impact of new practices leading to	
and embed	Monitoring the impact of new practices leading to reflection and adaptations when necessary ensure	
new practices	effective, flexible implementation: A School's Guide to	
- including	Implementation   EEF	
development		
of the use of		
manipulatives and time to		
work with		
other		
professionals		
Developing		
the use of		
pre-teaching		
sessions		
Provide high	EEF guidance on pupil premium suggests a 3 tier	3,2
quality teaching in	approach 1st tier – good quality teaching "The best	
writing and	available evidence indicates that great teaching is the most important lever schools have to improve outcomes	
reading	for their pupils" (EEF)	
across the school by:		
Developing	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-	
teacher skills	evidence/guidance-reports/literacy-ks2	
in teaching of		
reading and writing	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-	
Developing	evidence/guidance-reports/literacy-ks2	
TAs skills in		
teaching /	As explained in the EEF's Effective Professional Development	
support of	document, effective CPD builds knowledge, motivates teachers	
reading and phonics	and helps them develop techniques by engaging with Flying High English Hub we know training is of a high quality.	
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Subject	Monitoring the impact of new practices leading to	
leaders given	reflection and adaptations when necessary ensure	
time to ensure	•	

quality of	effective, flexible implementation: A School's Guide to	
phonics and spelling teaching in school	Implementation   EEF	
SCHOOL		
Subject leaders given time to monitor		
and embed work on guided reading in school		
Subject leaders given access to high quality training in reading		
(Flying High Reading Course).		
Subject leaders given time to monitor		
effective writing in school		
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CPD on the effective		
teaching of writing and		
vocabulary development		

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

Budgeted cost: £ 13, 760

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Daily Targeted academic interventions led by teaching assistants	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one:	1,2,3

Including daily readers	One to one tuition   EEF (educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk) And in small groups: Small group tuition   Toolkit Strand   Education Endowment Foundation   EEF  EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit: Teaching Assistant Interventions  2nd tier – targeted interventions  "Evidence consistently shows the positive impact that targeted academic support can have, including for those pupils who are not making good progress across the spectrum of achievement." (EEF)	
Delivery of pre- teaching in maths	2nd tier – targeted interventions "Evidence consistently shows the positive impact that targeted academic support can have, including for those pupils who are not making good progress across the spectrum of achievement." (EEF)  'Pre-teaching is more effective than re- teaching as it can transform the way a child sees themselves – (Minkel 2015)	2,3

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

Budgeted cost: £ 900

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Continue to Promote Reading For Pleasure – Purchasing of reading resources	Using research evidence from OURFP website ( <a href="https://ourfp.org/">https://ourfp.org/</a> ) and Reading Framework https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-readingframework-teaching-the-foundations-of-literacy	1 ,2, 3 ,5

and continuation of reading cafes with parents etc	DFE Paper "Research Evidence for Reading for pleasure", (May 2012) highlights the importance of reading for pleasure.  Evidence suggests that there is a positive relationship between reading frequency, reading enjoyment and attainment (Clark 2011; Clark and Douglas 2011).  Reading enjoyment has been reported as more important for children's educational success than their family's socio-economic status (OECD, 2002).	
Further develop staff knowledge of meta-cognition strategies and how best to implement them in the classroom.  CPD and monitoring of metacognition techniques including use of National College resources  Continue to use learning heroes	Effective use of meta-cognition can boost pupils progress: Metacognition and Self-regulated Learning   EEF	2,3
Access to wider opportunities Support for PP children to access trips and residential and access interventions to develop their resilience	In September 2019, educational watchdog Ofsted created a new inspection framework that requires schools to develop their students' cultural capital – backed by research	5
Nurture and wellbeing Emotional Literacy groups Regular checkins with trusted adult for identified children	EEF toolkit shows social and emotional learning has high impact on engagement.	2

Total budgeted cost: £ 17,760

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

#### **Outcomes for disadvantaged pupils**

At Milford Primary, the progress of children eligible for pupil premium funding is carefully tracked and is reported, anonymously, to the Governing Body.

We have analysed the performance of our school's disadvantaged pupils during the 2023/24 academic year using key stage 2 statutory performance data, phonics screening check results (PSC), the multiplication check results (MTC) and our own internal assessments.

Due to the very small numbers of pupils involved analysis of data should be cautious. However, data shows that the percentage of our pupil premium pupils' making at least expected progress from Summer 2022-2023 to Summer 2023-2024 was close to or above that of their peers not in receipt of pupil premium funding:

% making at least expected progress	Pupil Premium	Not Pupil Premium
Reading	81%	90%
Writing	100%	87%
Maths	100%	84%

In Statutory assessments 2023-2024 - KS2 SATS, PSC and MTC – 100% of Pupil Premium pupils attained the expected standard or above.

Other indicators such as improved confidence, strong attendance and increased cultural capital are also carefully monitored. These vary between individual children and with time; we ensure that support is put in place in response to our pupils needs.

We continue to monitor, evaluate and improve our Pupil Premium Strategy. Through this focus on continuing improvement and support for all pupils, we expect to see further improvements in the achievements of all our pupils including those eligible for pupil premium.

## **Externally provided programmes**

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you used your pupil premium to fund in the previous academic year.

Programme	Provider

## Service pupil premium funding (optional)

For schools that receive this funding, you may wish to provide the following		
information: How our service pupil premium allocation was spent last academic		
year		
The impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils		

## **Further information (optional)**

Use this space to provide any further information about your pupil premium strategy. For example, about your strategy planning, implementation and evaluation, or other activity that you are delivering to support disadvantaged pupils that is not dependent on pupil premium funding.