



Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find below clarification regarding Pupil Premium funding.

- Pupil premium is funding to **improve education outcomes for disadvantaged pupils** in schools in England.
- Schools **do not have to spend pupil premium so it solely benefits eligible pupils**. They can use it wherever they identify the greatest need.

Schools must utilise the following approaches to spend Pupil Premium funding:

1. Using pupil premium funding to **improve teaching quality** is the most effective way to improve outcomes for disadvantaged pupils. By doing so, schools will inevitably benefit non-eligible pupils as well.\*
2. **Targeted academic support** including interventions to support language development, literacy and numeracy, 1:1 and small group support.
3. **Wider strategies** to support attendance, emotional and social needs, extra-curricular activities, breakfast clubs etc.

Here at Haddenham St Mary's, we use all of these strategies to support disadvantaged children at our school. Please use the link below to see our most recent Pupil Premium strategy statement:

<https://haddenham-st-marys.bucks.sch.uk/general-info/pupil-premium/>

Implications for parents:

As you will be able to see from this information, the majority of our Pupil Premium funding is used to improve teaching quality and provide targeted academic support for disadvantaged children in school in order to improve their educational outcomes. In terms of wider strategies, due to budgetary constraints, we cannot automatically pay for uniform, school trips or breakfast and after school clubs from this funding. However, we do not wish for any child to be disadvantaged by not having correct uniform or missing school trips for financial reasons. If you are in this situation at any point in time, regardless of eligibility for Pupil Premium, please do contact us. This will be kept as a confidential matter.

If you feel you may be eligible for Pupil Premium please contact the school office and we will be able to help you apply via the Pupil Premium checking service.

Best wishes

Karen Collett

Sources

\* <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pupil-premium/pupil-premium#:~:text=Using%20pupil%20premium%20funding%20to,non%2Deligible%20pupils%20as%20well>