

Pupil Premium Funding at South Failsworth

Pupil Premium is a government initiative that provides additional funding to publicly funded schools in England in order to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the gap between them and their peers. The personal circumstances of some children can have a detrimental impact on their achievement, pupil premium is used to support disadvantaged pupils and try to ensure they have the same life chances as their peers.

It is paid to schools according to the number of pupils who have:

- been registered as eligible for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years
- been looked after by the local authority.
- a parent in the armed forces

In making provision for children on the pupil premium register, we recognise that not all pupils who receive free school meals will be socially disadvantaged. We also recognise that not all pupils who are socially disadvantaged are registered for, or qualify for free school meals. Therefore, we reserve the right to allocate the pupil premium funding to support any pupils that the school has legitimately identified as being socially disadvantaged.

This funding is currently used to provide many support systems and interventions across school. These include:

- addressing and assessing learning needs in phonics, SPaG, reading, writing and maths to ensure children are supported in specific, targeted groups. (This support includes DHT and TAs in class, additional after school booster groups, and small targeted withdrawal groups).
- addressing and assessing other needs, including social, emotional and behavioral.
- providing enrichment to encourage learning and set a context for it, e.g. trips, visitors, sports and art.