

## Pupil Premium Statement 2020/2021

### Background

The Pupil Premium is a government initiative to provide extra money to schools for students from deprived backgrounds who have claimed free school meals in the last six years.

It has been shown that students from deprived backgrounds underachieve compared to their peers, this is known as the 'attainment gap'. The government provides this grant so that we may commission and allocate additional support to ensure that they don't. Our Pupil Premium is therefore aimed at supporting these students and allowing them to reach their full potential.

The school will receive a fixed amount for every scholar who is eligible for Free School Meals (FSM), or has been in the last six years. Schools are not instructed on how to use the money; it is not ring-fenced. Schools are 'free to spend the Pupil Premium as they see fit'.

### Reporting and Outcomes

The Governing Body will receive a report on student progress at the start of each new term in a Governor Learning Committee Meeting; this will be prepared by the Assistant Head Teacher in charge of Progress and Achievement, and presented by the head teacher.

An annual statement will also be prepared and published on the school website. This will detail how much Premium was received in the academic year, how the Premium was spent and the impact that this expenditure has had on the attainment and progress of our Pupil Premium scholars, and therefore how this has helped the school to close the gap across the curriculum.

The school and its Governing Board are clear that this money will not just be absorbed into the overall budget, and will be spent on strategies and initiatives aimed at 'closing the attainment gap'.

### 2020 GCSE Outcomes

	Students eligible for PP (school)	Students not eligible for PP (school)
% achieving 4+ En/Ma	70%	81%
% achieving 5+ En/Ma	53%	53%
Attainment 8	52	55
SPI*	+0.51	+0.04

\*SPI is a progress indicator, using a very large sample of actual school data across the country

### Current PP students on roll

Currently 47% of our students are eligible for pupil premium, as of the October 2020.

	No. of PP Students	No. in year group	PP Percentage
Year 7	24	44	55
Year 8	33	77	43
Year 9	34	56	61
Year 10	24	56	43
Year 11	18	48	37
<b>Total</b>	133	281	47

### Forecast Pupil Premium Spending for 2020/21

Item	Focus	Total Spending	End of Year Impact Evaluation
To maintain the vision of small class sizes	In 2019/20 we were able to appoint a new teacher in each of the core subjects to reduce class sizes below 22. This has proven to be a successful tactic in closing the gap between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged students at WHS. In 2020/21 we are continuing to provide smaller class sizes and more one-to-one support in core and now humanities with the new addition of a History teacher.		
Coaching	All disadvantaged students receive one-to-one or one-to-small group coaching each week. Coaches meet with their coachees once a week to work towards wellbeing and academic goals. Coaches receive regular professional development throughout the year.		
Enrichment	Enrichment has been temporarily re-modelled due to CV-19 but we hope to be able to provide a wide range of activities again soon. Disadvantaged students benefit from access to Whitechapel sport centre and gym at no extra cost. During the creative arts enrichment, students are provided specialist support through external voice coaches and dance instructors.		
Year 11 Revision	Disadvantaged students will benefit from a series of externally provided workshops focussing on revision and organisation skills in the lead up to their GCSE's.		
Trips / Aspire Days	School trips are currently not running due to CV-19 however we hope to restart a programme of enriching trips soon. We aim to provide every student a shared experience outside of the classroom at least once a year. This trip will come at no cost to the student. We are also hopeful to provide international trips in the near future.		
Technology	To maintain the school vision and to embrace digital technology, we are continuing our expansion of digital resources available to use in lessons. Disadvantaged students have the opportunity to loan digital devices from the school to support with their extended learning and in the case of future school closure periods.		
KS3 ICT	As of September 2020, we are pleased to be providing ICT to all KS3 students. The addition of an ICT teacher has provided all students with the opportunity to improve their skills when using digital devices providing the foundation for BTEC Digital and GCSE Computer Science in KS4.		