

# Pupil Premium

## Background

*The Pupil Premium is allocated to children from low-income families who are eligible for Free School Meals (FSM), this also includes pupils eligible for FSM at any point in the last six years (known as the Ever 6 FSM measure). Schools are free to spend the Pupil Premium as they see fit. However, we are held accountable for how we have used the funding to support pupils and we are required to publish the information online. More recently we have been guided to plan strategically and focus not just on interventions and individual support, but on teaching and learning in general.*

## Pupil Premium Spending

During the financial year 2019-2020 Newdigate C of E Infant School received a total of £9,240

This, along with other funding, was used to support children in their academic and personal development. Through:

- Targeted intervention teaching for phonological awareness and phonics (using the Read, Write Inc. programme)
- ELSA Support (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) for children with emotional barriers to learning and those experiencing family difficulties
- Participation in swimming lessons
- Access to extra-curricular enrichment activities and sports clubs
- Purchase of new uniform
- Attendance at after school and breakfast clubs
- Early help / family resilience support
- Training for 'Young Carers' leader and purchase of resources
- Weekly support group for vulnerable children
- Support for a child with a medical condition
- Teacher training for 'recovery curriculum' (Barry Carpenter) and associated approaches

The impact of this spending is summarised below:

- Participation in extra-curricular events that raise self-esteem and broaden experiences
- Improving phonics knowledge and ability as well as phonological awareness
- Children participated in extra-curricular activities that developed their social skills and confidence with sports as well as developing their physical well-being and self-esteem
- Improved attendance

- Families with improved capacity for resilience that feel supported and are engaging with professions
- Pupil managing their medical condition
- 'Surrey Young Carers' award given to the school in recognition of the work done (led by the YC leader) to raise awareness, ensure a consistent school approach, register young carers, out in place robust procedures and policies and provide regular support for our young carers
- Staff who are better understand the 5 levers to recovery and are therefore better able to support children through the global pandemic