Pupil premium strategy statement

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2021 to 2022 academic year) 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 effect that last year's spending of pupil premium had within our school.

School overview

Detail	Data
School name	Barclay Academy
Number of pupils in school	801
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	27%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2021-2024
Date this statement was published	November 2023
Date on which it will be reviewed	October 2024
Statement authorised by	Dr Laban
Pupil premium lead	Miss Buttercase/ Mr Lucas
Governor / Trustee lead	Rachel Stockton

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£267,203
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£0
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£267,203
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

Barclay Academy's intent is to ensure that the gap between the attainment and progress of pupil premium and non-pupil premium students is closed. We want to ensure that pupil premium students can access our challenging knowledge-rich curriculum so that they gain the substantive knowledge, disciplinary knowledge and cultural capital they need to succeed at school, in the wider world and in their future endeavours. We want to support them to have excellent attendance and to be able to access all aspects of school life including co-curricular activities.

Our Pupil Premium strategy plan is designed to ensure that pupil premium students receive the support they need to access all the curriculum. They will receive both the academic and pastoral support they need to succeed. It is also designed to ensure that there is no barrier to them attending co-curricular activities such as clubs and trips.

The key principle of this strategy is to remove all barriers to pupil premium students so that they can succeed and have the same opportunities as all other students.

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Negative impact on progress caused by disruption to learning.
2	Insufficient progress for key cohorts: Middle and high attaining boys and girls, white British boys and disadvantaged SEND.
3	Poor levels of numeracy and literacy on entry.
4	There are increasing numbers of social care involvement with families.
5	Improving attendance post Covid
6	High levels of Social, Emotional and Mental Health problems.
7	Lacking cultural capital and low aspirations for future destinations

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
Improve pupil learning and engagement in lessons in order to impact positively on progress and improve the proportion of students achieving 4+/5+ in English and Maths.	PP students achieve or exceed, 4+ in line with national averages for all students.
Improve pupil progress and outcomes for all especially for key cohorts.	 PP students achieve or exceed, 4+ in line with national averages for all students.
	 PP students achieve or exceed, P8 averages in line with national averages for all students.
	 PP students achieve or exceed, A8 in line with national averages for all students.
Improve literacy and numeracy levels so that pupils are able to access the whole curriculum	90% of KS3 can read at or above their chronological reading age.
Currodium	 Standardised reading scores are in line with or above national averages.
Improve attendance	PA rate for PP will be in line or lower than national averages.
	 PP students will achieve, or exceed, attendance in line with national averages.

Activity in this academic year

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

Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £106,203

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Instructional coaching for all teaching staff - External training of coaches - Purchasing Powerful action steps software - Provision of 1 period off timetable per three teachers being coached. - Purchase of texts to support coaching Portion of salary for coaching leads	June 2019, "The EEF guide to The Pupil Premium" states that "teaching should be the top priority, including professional development". The guide states that "Good teaching is the most important lever schools have to improve outcomes for disadvantaged pupils". "Students taught by the most effective teacher learn in six months what those taught by the average teacher learn in a year. Students taught by the least effective teacher take two years to achieve the same learning" (Hanushek & Rivkin, 2006). "The Effect of Teacher Coaching on Instruction and Achievement: A Meta-Analysis of the Causal Evidence" (Matthew A. Kraft, David Blazar, Dylan Hogan) strongly points to instructional coaching as the best method to improve teaching and learning.	1,2,3, 7

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

Budgeted cost: £80,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Small group interventions across KS3 with a focus on literacy and numeracy	The EEF's "improving literacy in secondary schools" and "Improving Mathematics in KS2 and 3" states that "Schools should expect and proactively plan to support students with the weakest levels of literacy, particularly in Year 7." Techniques explained in the guide are employed during sessions.	1,2,3

	"Structured intervention support may be required for Year 7 pupils who are struggling to make progress" and "Interventions should start early, be evidence-based and be carefully planned". We administer reading tests on all pupils at the start of each year. Interventions are then put into place from y7 to y9 in registration for those who need it. These are small groups and use programmes such as Lexia and Arrow to improve pupils' reading ages. We also use maths data to determine which students require numeracy support and small group sessions run to target any gaps as well. PP students are a priority for these groups.	
Confidential Pupil Premium profiles	Gaining a thorough knowledge of your disadvantaged pupils' levels of attainment is the first step to develop an effective Pupil Premium strategy (EEF, 2021). PP pupils have profiles created by the SAL and individual pupils are the discussed in SLT meeting to see how barriers can be removed.	1,2,3,4,5,6,7
Year 11 and 13 raising achievement plan- PP focused section: 1. 1-2-1 PP interviews with SLT/ HOA and SAL 2. Year 11 Study Sessions after school and during holidays 3. Targeted intervention sessions delivered by subject specialists 4. Trust SEND ITT intervention programme 5. Targeted Year 11 residential revision weekend 6. Y11 and Y13 Information Evenings	 These interviews target the lowest achieving/most disadvantaged PP students. A set of questions have been agreed and it is an opportunity for students to talk freely about their experience of learning. Within this key resources such as revision material, space to complete revision and homework at home is discussed. Staff are then made aware of barriers and discussions are had at SLT to determine how these can be resolved. Historical data shows that PP students do not achieve as well as their peers so the main focus of the raising achievement plan is narrowing the gap. We have identified that a large number of PP students in Year 11 do not have a space at home to complete homework and revision. The EEF toolkit identifies that homework can have up 5+ months impact for students. Year 11 Study Sessions offers students a space to complete homework and revision after school for an hour, 4 times a week. The SAL works with specific students 	1,2,3

looking at revision techniques, time management, exam stress and wellbeing. In addition EEF research has shown that the gap is widened for students from disadvantaged background as they may not have a quiet place to work at home, parental support a device to work on. The sessions are staffed by support staff who monitors attendance, supports students with their work and contacts teachers for support and additional resources. Access to computers is available for all students. EEF research on the impact of homework has been used to inform this activ-

- 3. Targeted intervention has been introduced during registration time. EEF states that "Small group tuition approaches can support pupils to make effective progress by providing intensive, targeted academic support to those identified as having low prior attainment or at risk of falling behind." (EEF:2021). Registration content has been adapted to make sure that students still access core learning, such as PHSCE (including statutory teaching of RSE) and SMSC topics. The sessions are delivered by expert teachers throughout the week. Heads of Department have selected targeted students for example grade 3 /4 borderline students, those students who will not achieve both English and Maths at grade 4. Intervention groups are reviewed to be responsive to the needs of students and after mock exams results. EEF research highlights that targeted small group intervention can have a 4+ months impact for student progress and this is an effective strategy for PP students.
- 4. As part of a trust wide ITT provision, ITT trainees are working with the SEND department to deliver small group intervention. Students targeted include those students who are both PP and SEND. Trainees plan and deliver these sessions under the guidance of HODs, SENCO and SEND Trust lead. ITT trainees have received training as to how to

run these sessions as EEF research shows that "Providing training to the staff that deliver small group support is likely to increase im-
 5. We identified that students needed clear guidance on how to revise and be shown how to balance revision with other activities especially PP students. EEF states that "Small group tuition approaches can support pupils to make effective progress by providing intensive, targeted academic support to those identified as having low prior attainment or at risk of falling behind." (EEF:2021). We have added a revision retreat to the school calendar to ensure that pupils have time to learn these skills. This focusses on English, science and maths work in small groups with subject specialists and revision activities.
6. Information evenings are held with parents to ensure they are aware of expectations over the forthcoming year. Attendance was low for PP students at parents' evenings- around 35%. PP parents are a priority for these meetings and are rung beforehand to help ensure attendance.

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

Budgeted cost: £81,000.00

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Use behaviour support interventions to positively reinforce attitude to learning	EEF toolkit +3 months Behaviour interventions benefit all students in the classroom due to a purposeful learning environment being maintained	1,2,3,

Consistency through whole school behaviour policy	Clear expectations and boundaries for students. Creates a purposeful learning environment for all students. EFF supporting Behaviour in Schools Guidance	1,2,3
Barriers to attending school are identified and support given	The attendance of PP students to school is below national expectations. Many PP students have social and emotional barriers to learning and subject to external multiagency plans.	5
Improve family home school liaison and relationships by supporting potential attendance barriers such as uniform and food hardship	Ensure parents of PP students feel safe and confident engaging with school. Home visits completed to engage the hard to reach. Attendance officer and HOYs work with parents. EEF Toolkit parental engagement suggests 3+ months progress.	4,5
Offer bespoke SEMH interventions to pupils	School counsellor Commando Jo or Jane EEF Toolkit Social and Emotional learning 4+ months	6
Widening access to enrichment activities to remove barriers to participation and enhance pupils' cultural capital	Wide range of trips for all year groups, including international and residential trips made accessible through subsidised funding from the Trust's charity programme. Wide range of clubs to ensure removal of barriers and widening cultural capital. These often include funded trips.	7

Total budgeted cost: £267,203

Part B: Review of outcomes in the previous academic year

Pupil premium strategy outcomes

This details the impact that our pupil premium activity had on pupils in the 2021 to 2022 academic year.

Improved outcomes

Pupil Premium outcomes dipped this year in comparison to last year, hence the detailed Y11 raising attainment plan. 52% of PP students achieved a grade 4+ including English and Maths (all students = 70%), and 32% at grade 5+ (all students = 50%). The P8 figure was -0.7 (+0.09 all students).

Consistent use of tutor time

All year groups follow a tutor time timetable with consistent PowerPoints and activities to support the learning. Implemented and reviewed by tutors and HOYS. Local and national issues have been added to support students. The programme is evolving and developing.

Student engagement in co-curricular

Every student went on a trip last academic year, residential trips were subsidised for PP students including the international trips to Berlin and Belgium. There are a large number of after school and lunch time clubs which are well attended. All Y7 attended a PGL trip, with additional funding for PP pupils.

Improved attendance

Attendance of PP students has generally improved despite the pandemic and falling attendance nationally. However in the last academic year there has been a slight dip again. A second EWO has now been employed to support the work of the attendance team to target the attendance of PP students.

2018/19 86.16%

2019/20 87.68%

2020/21 88.01%

2021/22 86.48%

2022/23 84.02%

Externally provided programmes

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you purchased in the previous academic year. This will help the Department for Education identify which ones are popular in England

Programme	Provider
Commando Jo	CJ Education services
Lexia	Lexia
Arrow reading	Arrow tuition
MCR Pathways mentoring	MCR Pathways
Up learn	Up learn Ltd
Seneca	Seneca learning
Maths watch	Maths watch Ltd
Educake	Educake Ltd
Place2Be	Place2Be

Service pupil premium funding (optional)

For schools that receive this funding, you may wish to provide the following information:

Measure	Details
How did you spend your service pupil premium allocation last academic year?	
What was the impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils?	

Further information (optional)

The Future charity is supporting Barclay Academy's co-curricular programme by subsidising trips, sporting activities and music provision for those students who are in receipt of Pupil Premium funding.