

St Cecilia's Catholic Infant and Nursery School



PUPIL PREMIUM STATEMENT

- Pupil Premium funding is provided to schools in addition to their main school budget.
- The funding is designed to assist schools boost the attainment of those children who may be disadvantaged and reduce the attainment gap between the highest and lowest achievers.
- Pupil Premium is not an entitlement for all children, it is allocated according to the number of children on roll who are entitled to free school meals (FSM) linked to parents/carers income and related benefits.
- In 2012 funding was extended to include children who have been eligible for free school meals within the past six years.
- It is for schools to decide how Pupil Premium funding is to be spent, as they are best placed to assess and evaluate the provision required to support individual children.
- Funding is also allocated to 'Looked After Children' i.e. children who may be in the care of the Local Authority or designated family members other than parents.
- Schools are accountable for how they use the funding to support those children from lower income families.
- Whilst 'Quality First Teaching' continues to be the priority for all children, we will ensure that through Pupil Premium, identified children will benefit from resources and experiences that will have positive impact on their social, emotional and academic learning journeys.
- Annual data is carefully analysed to set future targets and identify areas of support for groups and individual children with identified vulnerabilities.
- 'Pupil Premium' reports are submitted to governors on a regular basis.