# Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School 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  | Halfpenny Lane Junior,<br>Infant and Nursery<br>School |
| Number of pupils in school   | 469 (411 Ex. Nursery)                                  |
| Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils  | 27%  |
| Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended) | 2021 - 2022  |
| Date this statement was published  | October 2021   |
| Date on which it will be reviewed  | July 2022  |
| Statement authorised by  | Hayley McNeill   |
| Pupil premium lead   | Kate Gawthorp  |
| Governor / Trustee lead  | Amanda Small   |

## **Funding overview**

| Detail  | Amount   |
|---|----------|
| Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year   | £134,705 |
| Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year  | £13,485  |
| Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)  | £0       |
| Total budget for this academic year   | £148,190 |
| 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

You may want to include information on:

 How does your current pupil premium strategy plan work towards achieving those objectives?

At Halfpenny Lane, we strive to ensure that all of our pupils, regardless of the barriers they face, become successful leaners, achieve their potential and are able to contribute to the wider life of the school. A large proportion of pupils who attend Halfpenny Lane come from a back ground of social disadvantage, therefore the strategic decision by school leaders has been made, to adopt a whole school approach to ensure that all pupils receive a consistent learning experience. We live and breathe our Trust guiding principles which detail 'Achievement without excuses' and Students Come First'. When making decisions about using Pupil Premium funding, it is important to consider the context of the school and the subsequent challenges faced alongside research conducted by the Education Endowment Foundation. Common barriers to learning for disadvantaged children can be: less support at home, weak language and communication skills, lack of confidence, more frequent behaviour difficulties, attendance and punctuality issues as well as the need for external agency support, for example, safeguarding. These factors add to the complexity of each child and their family situations that prevent children from flourishing. The challenges are varied and there is no "one size fits all". We will ensure that all teaching staff are involved in the analysis of data and identification of pupils, so that they are fully aware of strengths and weaknesses across the school and how we will ensure that all children succeed.

#### **Key Principles of our Pupil Premium Plan**

At Halfpenny Lane we want to ensure that:

- Teaching and learning opportunities meet the needs of all the pupils so that they
  achieve well and at least meet expected outcomes in reading, writing and
  mathematics.
- Appropriate provision and resources are made available for pupils who belong to vulnerable groups, so that barriers are removed to allow a secure and successful learning environment.
- Pupil premium funding will be allocated following a 'needs analysis' which will identify priority classes, groups or individuals and address issues sensitively.
- The need of pupils may develop or change over time, and because of this, we need to allow scope for support when required. This may be to support families who are newly registered or who face an unpredicted change of circumstances.
- Our plan provides an effective allocation of funding so that disadvantaged pupils receive enriched, broad and exciting experiences that enhance the curriculum (both in and out of the classroom) and develop pupils' cultural capital.

## **Challenges**

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

| Challenge number | Detail of challenge   |
|------------------|---|
| 1                | A large proportion of children who enter our EYFS provision display weak language and communication skills.   |
|                  | Our assessments, discussions and observations show underdeveloped oral language and vocabulary gaps for some disadvantaged pupils, from EYFS and through school to KS2.   |
| 2                | A considerable amount of our children come from households that do not have access to high-quality reading materials that can support the development of early reading. A number of parents are illiterate or not skilled to support children with their learning.    |
| 3                | Lower attendance and those recorded at persistent absence.  |
|                  | Our analysis shows some disadvantaged pupils and families need additional support to secure and sustain better punctuality and attendance.  |
|                  | At present, 19% of our PP children are in danger of falling into the 'persistent absenteeism' category. Our in-school attendance for our Pupil Premium cohort was 93.6% for the academic year 2020-2021.  |
| 4                | Social deprivation, financial, mental health and social care involvement.   |
|                  | Our assessments, discussions and observations have identified social and emotional / self-confidence issues for some disadvantaged pupils.  |
|                  | Within our school, over 40 pupils are identified as needing additional support with social emotional needs and are receiving 1:1 or small group interventions with the Pastoral team. Since the pandemic, teacher referrals for pupil pastoral support has increased. |

### **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  |
|--|---|
| Priority 1  Improvement in speech and language development of disadvantaged pupils and data tracking indicates an upward trend in pupil's communication and language skills. | <ul> <li>EYFS tracking shows an upward trend</li> <li>Phonics outcomes achieved are at least in line with national data</li> <li>Speech and language targets met by individual pupils</li> </ul>  |
| Priority 2  Improvement in progress in reading, writing and mathematics.  For attainment in writing to be inline with reading and maths across both key stages in school.    | <ul> <li>To achieve national average progress scores in reading, writing and maths at the end of Key Stage 1</li> <li>To achieve national average progress scores in reading, writing and maths at the end of Key Stage 2</li> <li>To achieve greater depth in reading, writing and maths in line with peers at both key stage 1 and 2</li> </ul>   |
| Priority 3 Improvement in overall attendance including persistent absentees.   | <ul> <li>Attendance for all pupils to be 97%</li> <li>Attendance for those that are disadvantaged to be at least 96%</li> <li>For PA to be no higher than 8% whole school</li> <li>For PA to be no higher than 10% for those that are disadvantaged</li> </ul>  |
| Priority 4  Children's social, emotional and mental health needs are met.  | <ul> <li>There is a reduction is mental health issues that are escalated. External agencies are fully engaged in supporting the school.</li> <li>Interventions have a positive impact with evaluations showing a sustainable improvement in positive mindsets and attitudes towards learning</li> <li>The impact of financial hardship is mitigated as a barrier to learning and pupil wellbeing</li> </ul> |

## 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: £46,238

| Activity   | Evidence that supports this approach   | Challenge<br>number(s)<br>addressed |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| NFER Assessment materials for all year groups (£5000)                                    | Standardised diagnostic assessments to identify individual pupil need for both teaching and learning and academic intervention.  To improve systems, expectations and practice in classrooms so that pupils are given the best chance possible of accelerating their learning.  The development of the coaching model and projects taken as part of the NPQ programmes will support staff in ensuring that provision in the classroom meets the needs of all pupils.  As part of the assessment cycle using the NFER assessment packages this will ensure that progress is measured and intervention is implemented and pitched at the correct stage to ensure accelerated progress. NFER tests will support teacher assessment and inform pupil progress meetings – informing discussion about the progress and achievement of our disadvantaged pupils.  https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/tools/assessing-and-monitoring-pupil-progress/developing-whole-school-assessment/diagnostic-assessment/ | 2                                   |
| Purchasing additional resources to support LKS2 phonics intervention using RWI (£10,000) | Ensuring consistency of teaching of early reading and phonics and purchase of additional reading books (decodable) matching to developing phonic knowledge and the RWI programme.  This will include professional development, instructional coaching and teacher release time working with external expertise from our English hub. There will be a sharp focus on supporting early career teachers here, complimenting the ECF.  Implement RWI writing methodology including resources and additional portal access for all staff for ongoing CPD.  Embed the use of the reading and writing initiative of RWI in lower key stage two to ensure barriers to reading are addressed and the children in the bottom 20% of this cohort who have not achieved the expected standards in RWM are fully supported.   | 1,2,4                               |

|  | Within this key stage there is also a high number of social deprivation and families with additional services involvement. As a direct result of this children are unlikely to have the breadth of vocabulary required on entry to KS2. This programme is designed as an intervention to support this.  https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/evidence-summaries/teaching-learning-toolkit/phonics/  https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-reading-framework-teaching-the-foundations-of-literacy  |     |
|--|---|-----|
| Purchasing additional resources to support embedding AR across school (£8,000)                         | Embed the use of accelerated reader across school to reignite the love of reading and to accelerate progress in reading.  Children across school rarely read at home due to external factors. Accelerated reader programme is designed to promote independent reading that is pitched and tracked.  Staff will be trained in the implementation of the Accelerated reader programme both at a leader level, class teacher and support assistant.  This will include professional development, instructional coaching and teacher release time working with external expertise. There will be a sharp focus on supporting early career teachers here, complimenting the ECF. <a href="https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/projects-and-evaluation/projects/accelerated-reader">https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/projects-and-evaluation/projects/accelerated-reader</a> | 1,2 |
| Learning Mentor Thrive training (£3100) Learning Mentor ELSA training (£750)                           | With a SEND register of 14% and the main barrier to learning being SEMH the intervention and Thrive methodology has a prime aim of removing emotional barriers to learning. In order to implement this across school in order to support all children additional capacity is required.  Training to become thrive practitioners for the Learning Mentors in school adds capacity to the Inclusion team in order to support children with SEMH barriers to learning.  Children who are disadvantaged make up 49% of the SEND register. This suggests that those that are disadvantaged are more likely to have additional needs – primarily SEMH. <a href="https://www.thriveapproach.com/">https://www.thriveapproach.com/</a>  | 4   |
| Staff CPD in<br>RWI Writing<br>(£5,000)<br>Resources for<br>whole school in<br>RWI Writing<br>(10,000) | To improve writing outcomes for all year groups. This will include professional development, instructional coaching and teacher release time working with external expertise from our English hub. There will be a sharp focus on supporting less experienced teachers.  Outcomes for disadvantaged pupils in writing throughout school is lower than that for reading and maths. This is due to a lack of a language rich environment at home and a lack of parental engagement with writing as a process. The implementation of a   | 2   |

|   | whole school approach to writing with clear staff support, communication and training with parents and ongoing CPD will continue to improve outcomes for all learners. Wring is a whole Trust priority and we are engaged with an external consultant in developing an evidence based approach to successful writing for all year groups.  https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/educationevidence/guidance-reports/literacy-ks2 |     |
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| Staff CPD – Whole School (£2000)  SLA Support from: | To provide support to class teachers and LSA's in order to support those with SEND and working in the bottom 20% of learners with quality first class teaching. Higher proportions in each year group for those with additional needs and those who are not working at age related standards are disadvantaged.  Ensure that classroom provision meets the needs of all learners.  | 1,2 |
| SALT £2388  | Embedding dialogic teaching across school. This will include professional development, instructional coaching and teacher release time working with external expertise. There will be a sharp focus on less experienced teachers and support staff. There are 2 members of support staff completing a L3 qualification relating to being a successful teaching assistant.  |     |
|   | https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/projects-and-evaluation/projects/dialogic-teaching   |     |
|   | https://researchschool.org.uk/stmatthews/news/what-is-dialogic-talk-and-why-does-it-matter   |     |

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

Budgeted cost: £60,501

| Activity  | Evidence that supports this approach   | Challenge<br>number(s)<br>addressed |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| Additional LSA<br>deployed in<br>EYFS (£10,000)           | Small group / 1.1 intervention with LSA/Teacher for disadvantaged children not making expected progress in reading, writing and maths across school from EYFS to Year 6. | 1,2,3,4                             |
| Additional LSA<br>deployed in Key<br>Stage 1<br>(£10,000) | https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/one-to-one-tuition  |                                     |
| Additional LSA<br>deployed in Key<br>Stage 2<br>(£10,000) |  |                                     |

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| B squared<br>Subscription<br>£1270<br>3rd Space<br>Learning £2500<br>WISENSS SLA<br>£2388 | To ensure that provision for those with SEND and the bottom 20% effectively meets individual needs and progress in reading, writing and maths is made.  Research shows that the impact of SEND on academic attainment is closely related to the EEF's focus on economic disadvantage: 28% of pupils with special educational needs are eligible for free school meals.  https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/projects- | 1,2,4 |
|   | and-evaluation/projects/send-review   |       |
| Resources -<br>£5000  | To ensure that pupils who require additional support with emotional health and wellbeing have access to licensed Thrive   | 4     |
| Salary<br>proportion –  | practitioners and qualified ELSA.   |       |
| £15,000   | Intervention materials and sessions run by LSA's / learning Mentors for SEMH.   |       |
| Online Thrive<br>Subscription<br>£2786  |   |       |
| Bereavement<br>Counsellor<br>£1557  |   |       |

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

Budgeted cost: £41,451

| Activity   | Evidence that supports this approach  | Challenge<br>number(s)<br>addressed |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| Experiences<br>subsidiary - £40<br>per pupil per<br>year £5,040<br>Residential<br>subsidiary (Year<br>5 and 6) - £75<br>per pupil £1875) | To support the implementation of the '50 things' across the curriculum to ensure that all pupils further augment their cultural capita. In addition we expect that all children have access to a plethora of sports clubs, music clubs and an additional enrichment programme to support their academic and personal development.  To provide financial support for disadvantaged pupils in the '50 things' | 4                                   |
| Access to the<br>School Library<br>Service (£2988)   | https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-<br>evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/physical-activity  |                                     |
| Lunch time staff<br>support with<br>structure play /   | Behaviour across school is good at all points of the day including break and lunch times. Reward strategies are in place and targeted training and support for non-teaching staff   | 4                                   |

| equipment (£3000)  Behaviour Incentives for house teams (£5000)                        | is embedded. New play equipment has been purchased to support social development, group play and engagement with school.  |   |
|--|---|---|
| Wider Curriculum resources (£8,000)  Provide classroom kitchen to all learners £300    | Provide hands on learning experiences for all pupils across the curriculum with the addition of high-quality resources <a href="https://classroom-kitchen.co.uk/">https://classroom-kitchen.co.uk/</a>  | 4 |
| After School<br>Clubs £4000  | Access to after school clubs – those that are disadvantaged are a priority. These cohorts are racked and monitored for uptake, retention and engagement with after school provision.  | 4 |
| Breakfast club -<br>£5000<br>Attendance<br>incentives -<br>£3000<br>EWO SLA -<br>£2248 | To ensure that attendance of those that are disadvantaged does not fall below national and to reduce those that are at PA <a href="https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/news/breakfast-clubs-found-to-boost-primary-pupils-reading-writing-and-maths-res">https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/news/breakfast-clubs-found-to-boost-primary-pupils-reading-writing-and-maths-res</a> | 3 |

Total budgeted cost: £148,190

## 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 2020 to 2021 academic year.

We recognise the impact of the COVID pandemic and our pupils lacking the opportunities of social interaction and certain curriculum areas. Our strategy ensures that all of our pupils receive a personalised curriculum where required to ensure any gaps or misconceptions are swiftly addressed.

#### Whole School Data 2020/2021

#### Key Stage 1

| <u>Reading</u>       |               | <u>Writing</u>       |               | <u>Maths</u>         |               |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Non<br>Disadvantaged | Disadvantaged | Non<br>Disadvantaged | Disadvantaged | Non<br>Disadvantaged | Disadvantaged |
| 71%                  | 55%           | 61%                  | 41%           | 76%                  | 64%           |

#### Key Stage 2

| <u>Reading</u>       |               | <u>Writing</u>       |               | <u>Maths</u>         |               |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Non<br>Disadvantaged | Disadvantaged | Non<br>Disadvantaged | Disadvantaged | Non<br>Disadvantaged | Disadvantaged |
| 84%                  | 67%           | 84%                  | 67%           | 90%                  | 84%           |

#### **Attendance**

| <u>2019</u>          |               | <u>2020</u>          |               | <u>2021</u>          |               |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Non<br>Disadvantaged | Disadvantaged | Non<br>Disadvantaged | Disadvantaged | Non<br>Disadvantaged | Disadvantaged |
| 94%                  | 94%           | 96%                  | 94.1%         | 96.4%                | 93.1%         |