

Pupil Premium Strategy Statement for Mulberry Canon Barnett 2025-26

This statement details our school's use of Pupil Premium funding, including *Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)*, outlining how funding is allocated and spent to improve outcomes for disadvantaged pupils. *A key focus is the development of speech, language and communication skills in the Early Years to ensure children can access learning and make strong progress*

It outlines our pupil premium strategy, *including EYPP*, how we intend to spend the funding in this academic year and the outcomes for disadvantaged pupils last academic year.

School overview

Detail	Data
Number of pupils in school	151
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	49% (<i>including EYPP</i>)
9	2025-26 2026-27 2027-28
Date this statement was published	Autumn term 2025
Date on which it will be reviewed	Autumn term 2026
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Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£112,000
<i>Early Years pupil premium funding allocated this academic year</i>	£5240
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£112,000 plus £ 5240 (EYPP)

Part A: Pupil premium strategy plan. Statement of intent

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At Mulberry Canon Barnett we have high expectations for all our children. We work collaboratively with pupils, parents, staff and our trustees to ensure that our children achieve academic success and enjoy the benefits of a broad and exciting curriculum. Many of our families experience financial disadvantage and we recognise the negative impact that this can have on children. The Pupil Premium fund is given to us to help address that disadvantage within our School.

Children in receipt of Pupil Premium are supported throughout their years at Mulberry Canon Barnett to ensure that they acquire a firm base of learning as well as a wealth of opportunities to interest, inspire and enthuse.

In order to make the most informed decisions when spending our additional funding we use research evidence such as the EEF–Education Endowment Foundation, as well as evidence from our own experience. This combination enables us to maximise the impact of the funding in the achievements, experiences and enjoyment of pupils.

The EEF identified a number of key principles in tackling the negative impact of disadvantage. They suggest a tiered plan for pupil premium spending which fits with our approach at Mulberry Canon Barnett:

High Quality Teaching – we employ and develop high quality teachers, invest in professional development, training and support through the Mulberry Schools Trust and Tower Hamlets Local Authority, THEP, E1 Partnership, Country Trust and Toynbee Hall to ensure effective teaching in all classes is a top priority for our pupil premium spend due to its benefits for all pupils.

Targeted academic support – we identify individual needs of the children and implement small group or 1:1 interventions with teachers, specialist professionals such as speech and language therapists or teaching assistants. This is an effective way to support learning, build confidence and close gaps.

Wider strategies – we have a designated Admin Officer employed to analyse and action aspects of our pupil premium attendance strategy. We provide an equality of opportunity for all through the variety of extra curricular trips, visitors and experiences we offer. This helps to develop children’s cultural capital, their knowledge and understanding of the wider world, and often impacts positively on the social, emotional and behavioural progress of pupils.

Our approach to disadvantaged children within our school is responsive to whole school challenges as well as the needs of individual pupils. The approaches we have adopted complement each other to help pupils excel. In order to ensure the effectiveness of our plan we:

- Provide high quality teaching and teaching support. Disadvantaged children and non-disadvantaged children are challenged and supported in their academic achievements. This ensures high aspirations and expectations from both staff and pupils themselves.
- Implement high quality interventions by skilled and trained staff who enable any underachievement to be addressed through small group or individualised learn-

ing sessions.

- Offer a full curriculum which is enhanced by a range of visitors and trips widening children's experiences and heightening their interest encouraging them to become aspirational for their future.

Our identification, spending allocation and monitoring of effectiveness of Early Years Pupil Premium is guided by [Early Years PP EEF EY pupil premium review](#) and [EEF EYPP Planning Tool](#)

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Continue to improve the attendance of PP pupils
2	Continue to embed excellent behaviour of children and a strong culture for learning
3	Development of accurate and robust assessment
4	Increasing the vocabulary used in spoken and written work
5	Further improving writing skills
6	Increase fluency in reading and confidence and success in comprehension
7	Further developing Maths problem solving and reasoning
8	Specialised interventions for PP pupils with SEND

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
Further improvement attendance of PP children	PP children in school at least 95% of the school year and arriving on time each day
Excellent behaviour of children embedded and a strong culture of learning across the school	Children are ready for learning and enthused by teaching. They show respect towards all members of the school community and responsibility for their own actions
An accurate and robust assessment schedule through the year	Termly pupil progress meetings with senior leaders with effective use of MIS system to inform and help plan specific interventions to enable strong progress of children

Children use a broader vocabulary	Children are able to express themselves more clearly and use a widened vocabulary to enhance spoken and written work
Writing outcomes for PP children are further improved	PP children make good or better progress in writing with an increased proportion achieving the expected level by the end of KS2
Comprehension exercises are more successfully undertaken by PP children	PP children will make good or better progress in reading with an increased proportion achieving the expected level by the end of KS2
Maths problem solving and reasoning across the School improves for PP children	Improved problem solving and reasoning in maths across the school through partnership work with local maths hub and improved outcomes for PP children at the end of KS2
Strong progress made by children through a systematic interventions	PP children to show progress in work and end of KS assessments. Intervention programmes evaluated and adjusted where needed as a result of detailed analysis
<i>Children eligible for EYFS Pupil Premium make accelerated progress</i>	<i>EYFS PP children to make accelerated progress in speech, language and communication, enabling them to develop age-appropriate listening, understanding and expressive language skills, so that they can access the full EYFS curriculum and are well prepared for Year 1</i>

Activity in this academic year

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

Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £30,000 (plus £2,000 EYPP)

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Increased subject release time for English and maths leaders	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit	3,4,5,6,7,8
Regular trust-wide professional development sessions	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit	3,4,5,6,7,8
Membership and PD with-THEP including Oracy Hub	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit	4,5,6,8
<i>EYFS staff training on Communication and Language interventions</i>	<i>EEF Early Years pupil premium review; EEF EYPP Planning Tool</i>	1,2,4,8

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

Budgeted cost: £51,000 (plus £2,000 EYPP)

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Targeted interventions run by SENCo	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit, previous school experience	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8
Targeted interventions run by TAs	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit, previous school experience	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8
Speech and language interventions	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit, previous school experience	1,2,3,4,5,6,8
Reading interventions run by English lead	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit, previous school experience	1,2,3,4,5,6,8
Resources to enhance learning across the curriculum	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit, previous school experience	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8
<i>EYFS Targeted Communication and Language interventions</i>	<i>EEF Early Years pupil premium review; EEF EYPP Planning Tool</i>	<i>1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8</i>

Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, well-being)

Budgeted cost: £40,000 (plus £1,500 EYPP)

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Employment of additional admin staff for increased attendance calls, meetings and workshops	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit, previous school experience	1
Connect ED counselling service weekly work with selected pupils	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit, previous school experience	1,2,4,8
Class trips and residential stays	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit, previous school experience	1,2,4,5,6,7,8
Visitors to the school	EEF Teaching, Learning Toolkit, previous school experience	1,2,4,5,6,7,8
<i>EYFS physical learning resources and equipment</i>	<i>EEF Early Years pupil premium review; EEF EYPP Planning Tool</i>	<i>1,2,4,5,7,8</i>

Total budgeted cost: £ 112,000 (plus £5240 EYPP)

Part B: Review of the previous academic year

Outcomes for disadvantaged pupils

13 PP pupils in year 6 2024-25

27 pupils in total

Outcome: Improve attainment in writing, improve attainment in reading

At Key Stage 2 our **pupil premium children** achieved as follows:

Reading: 62% achieved expected standard. National average was 63%.

Writing: 54% achieved expected standard. National average was 59%.

Maths: 69% achieved expected standard. National average was 61%.

SPAG: 62% achieved expected standard. National average was 60%.

Our **Year 6 children** as a whole achieved as follows:

Reading: 67% achieved expected standard. National average was 75%.

Writing: 74% achieved expected standard. National average was 72%.

Maths: 78% achieved expected standard. National average was 74%.

SPAG: 67% achieved expected standard. National average was 73%.

This year our focus is to ensure our children leave Mulberry Canon Barnett ready for the next stage of their academic journey.

As we begin a new pupil premium strategy we need to ensure outcomes and attendance remain a high priority and the limited progress made in these areas in previous years is addressed offering children the opportunity to improve their life chances going forward.

Externally provided programmes

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you used your pupil premium to fund in the previous academic year.

Programme	Provider
Phonics	Read, Write, Inc
Reading	Reading Plus
Maths	White Rose
Raising Standards	Pixl

