

John of Gaunt Infant and Nursery School

PUPIL PREMIUM

Pupil premium is the additional funding schools receive to support 'vulnerable pupils' to enable them to enjoy and achieve in line with all other children. This includes pupils who are entitled to free school meals (FSM) (or who have been at some point in the last six years) and children in care.

The Government believes that allocating Pupil Premium funding is the best way to ensure funding to tackle disadvantage reaches the pupils who need it most. It is up to schools to decide how the pupil premium is spent.

The following information enables parents to see how much funding the school is receiving, how it is spending the money and its impact upon attainment and progress of pupils.

2014-2015

Number of pupils on roll at John of Gaunt Infant and Nursery School: 122

Number of pupils eligible for Pupil Premium Grant: 18

Total amount received: £19,500

Nature of Support

At John of Gaunt we have made use of funding to enhance our provision in a targeted way ensuring that the impact is monitored and subject to ongoing evaluation. All classrooms have high levels of teaching assistant support which is used to support pupils and in addition the funding is used to provide additional support and extension. Specific strategies and arrangements for this year include the following (alongside high quality differentiation within whole class teaching):

- Additional support from teaching assistants in the classroom, dedicated teaching assistant for the delivery of intervention and extension activities.
- A non-class based Nurture Teaching Assistant enhances provision for vulnerable pupils, tailoring personalised intervention programmes to meet individual needs. She works alongside class teachers and teaching assistants offering training and monitoring ongoing progress.
- Small group tuition
- Staff training in new intervention Programmes e.g. Thrive, ASD
- Additional learning resources where appropriate such as Numicom to support maths intervention groups

Please note that the funding we receive is not sufficient to provide all of this support for every pupil; the support is allocated according to need.

At John of Gaunt we ensure that all children receive the support they need to succeed, regardless of whether or not they are entitled to free school meals.

When the children leave the school achievements are significantly above national results with pupil premium children making expected and good progress.