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# Pupil Premium Policy

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## The Pupil Premium

The Pupil Premium is a Government initiative that provides additional funding for pupils currently entitled to Free School Meals (FSM) and those that have been entitled to FSM at any point in the last 6 years. The Pupil Premium is also available to Looked-after Children (LAC) and those that have been adopted from care under the Adoption and Children Act 2002 and children who have left care under a Special Guardianship or Residence Order. Pupils who have parents in the armed forces are also entitled to an additional amount of money.

At Wade Deacon High School we will use this additional funding to ensure continued progress and attainment for FSM, LAC and those pupils whose parents serve in the armed forces. The Pupil Premium at Wade Deacon is spent in the academic year rather than the financial year.

## Provision

We aim to implement a curriculum that removes the notion of disadvantage and helps all students to achieve, regardless of their circumstances or background. In terms of outcomes, we aspire for students who are 'disadvantaged' to reach levels of attainment that are in line with that of *all* students nationally and close the gaps with their peers in school. We want all students to move successfully and confidently into the next stage of education or training.

As a school we are committed to providing exceptional learning and teaching and our Pupil Premium Strategy is built on this foundation. Additionally, targeted academic support and a range of wider strategies provide extensive support in order to identify and break down any barriers to progress those students face. Leaders at Wade Deacon are highly aspirational in their aims for disadvantaged students and critically evaluate the impact of their actions to ensure that the Pupil Premium Strategy is continuously reviewed and improved.

In order to improve academic outcomes for students entitled to the Pupil Premium the Governing Body of Wade Deacon High School will ensure the school's Pupil Premium Strategy is published annually, implemented effectively and evaluated appropriately.

## Reporting

It will be the responsibility of the Vice Principal to produce a report for the Governing Body as an attachment to the Principal's Report, to include:

- The progress and attainment of pupils entitled to the Pupil Premium
- An outline of the provision and approximate cost for the academic year.
- An evaluation of the provision and the impact upon progress, attainment and other measurable outcomes such as improvements in attendance and behaviour.
- The Vice Principal will ensure that there is an annual statement to the parents outlining how the Pupil Premium funding has been used.