

PPG strategy statement - evaluated Summer 2021

Our vision:

The Strategy below shows how Coombe Hill Infants' School are planning to allocate Pupil Premium Grant funding in 2020-21, so as to raise attainment and progress for disadvantaged children, as well as to diminish the difference between these children and the others in their cohort. This Strategy was written by the SENCO (Inclusion Manager), in consultation with SLT and shared with governors and is updated annually. The next review will be in November 2021. This Strategy is available to view on the School Website, together with previous PPG Strategy/Information, in line with legal requirements.

Coombe Hill Infants' school has high expectations, a broad curriculum and aspirations for all children. We recognise that the PPG and LAC group is diverse, but that many children in this group face barriers to learning. These needs vary individually between children and in each cohort, and this influences our individual and flexible approach to working with PPG children and their families. We reflect on what has worked well, lessons learnt from previous years and use evidence and research (e.g. the Education Endowment Foundation) to choose actions with evidence of raising attainment.

Our PPG numbers and funding allocation can be broken down as follows:

Number of Ever 6 FSM	26	Number of LAC or Post-LAC	3
Ever 6 Funding	30,935	Funding	2,745

Total number on PPG	31	Total funding	£33,680
register	Including 2 young carers	(including LAC/Post-LAC)	



What are the main approaches we use to ensure our disadvantaged children make progress and achieve?

- We ensure all children are exposed to an engaging, inclusive curriculum with high quality teaching throughout the school.
- All PPG children have a personalised learning plan, with SMART targets.
- In preparation for children returning to school with diverse experiences of lockdown, all staff have participated in training around wellbeing and safeguarding.
- This year we are making use of The Studio, as a fourth Year 2 classroom each morning. This means that we will operate four smaller groups of no more than 23 children for Literacy and Maths on Monday Thursday.
- All PPG children are tracked and regularly monitored, to ensure progress is made during learning walks and book looks,
 PPG children are prioritised.
- PPG childrens' progress and outcomes are discussed in termly pupil progress meetings with SLT
- We boost oral skills and comprehension in our reception classes by focusing on in class speech and language activities. Through play on the patio and in our lower bay, we are able to ensure good progress is made from the childrens' baseline to the end of reception. We use Speechlinks as a way to identify any gaps in our childrens' oral skills. We use School start language groups to work on our childrens' vocabulary and comprehension.
- We have PPG champions in each year group, to ensure our PPG children have an advocate in every year group meeting.
- Early morning phonic interventions will start in Autumn 1 in order to ensure phonic knowledge is increased and self esteem improved reading eggs club, in class early morning phonic groups, precision teaching and literacy interventions will continue
- Our literacy support teacher will work on a 1:1 with specific children and will also train other SEN staff members to deliver support in literacy interventions, as well as homework support.
- Reading eggs and Mathletics/ Mathseeds is available for all children throughout the school.
- Elsa and Nurture sessions are available for PPG children who need emotional support.
- A 'Recovery curriculum' approach has been adapted throughout the school to help focus on children's emotional wellbeing.
- PSHE programme (jigsaw), Forest school, the daily mile and outdoor learning opportunities are utilised throughout the



whole school, to help all children adjust after the COVID-19 lockdown.

- PPG children have free access to clubs and trips .
- Home learning packs are distributed twice a year to all PPG children.
- Families are supported, ensuring school/ home relationships are built upon and maintained
- Online communication has been increased in order to maintain support during COVID-19 Parental questionnaires, Tapestry for reception AND year 1 and Google classroom for year 2.

Learning points

Due to Covid-19, Coombe Hill Infants' closed for most pupils in March 2019 and continued to operate for Key Worker and Vulnerable children until the end of the Summer Term. From June 1st, we invited Reception and Year 1 children into school within bubbles and we were also able to facilitate transition days for our Year 2 children both at CHI and at the Junior school. We communicated closely with our school community throughout lockdown - on-line surveys, phone calls, emails - and succeeded in 82% of our vulnerable children including PPG pupils attending school in July.

During Lockdown, staff created teaching videos, audio stories and numerous links to helpful sites. We added a new area to the website to help support those children who might struggle to access the curriculum. PPG children with SEN were given personalised timetables and activities. We provided packs of resources (including Ipads) for PPG pupils or any pupils in need. CHIPTA donated money and we were able to give all of our PPG families a £100 food voucher, this was in addition to the Government funded scheme and food bank vouchers which were also distributed. We contacted each family on at least a weekly basis and kept a record of all conversations. Teachers called each family in their class and recorded each conversation and any actions taken. We provided a weekly email to all parents, a weekly assembly, parent questionnaires regarding support needed and staff learning videos. Our EYFS team used Tapestry to communicate with their children and parents and a class email was set up for year 1 and year 2 families. In spite of COVID, we were able to ensure a successful transition for 82% of PPG children into their new year groups. For those children who were unable to come into school, regular communication was upheld and transition passports were shared.

In September 2020, we have adapted our online learning guidelines. These guidelines highlight the proposed learning support for all children including PPG, should a whole class, year group or whole school lockdown occur. You can find these guidelines on our website.



Pupil Premium children who finished key stage one in summer 2020

11 pupil premium children (9%) of the cohort. Of these...

3 (27%) EAL

8 (72%) Child protection/ Vulnerable register

2 (18%) SEND register

1 (9%) were on both SEND and child protection/vulnerable register

Attainment at end of key stage 1 - We have no data from July 2020 due to COVID-19, so we will look at the attainment from July 2019 instead.

Expected or above	Reading	Writing	Maths	RWM combined
PPG children	56%	56%	67%	44%
National	75%	69%	76%	65%
Gap	-19%	-13%	-9%	-21%
Whole cohort	83%	75%	83%	71%
Gap	-27%	-19%	-16%	-27%

It can be seen from the table above that there was a gap between PPG children and the whole cohort in terms of attainment. This is despite considerable, targeted support.



Expected/ Accelerated progress	Reading	Writing	Maths
PPG children	75%	87.5%	75%
Whole cohort	87%	77%	93%
Gap	-12%	+9.5%	-18%

However in July 2019, 87.5% of PPG children made particularly good progress in writing. Their progress exceeded that of the cohort as a whole. This reflects the continued impact of oral language in reception and literacy support throughout KS1.

In July 2019, there were 9 children who qualified for pupil premium grant in year 1 (7.5% of the 120 cohort) Of these 6 (67%) achieved the expected level in the phonics screen.



Our PPG strategy is based on the Educational Endowment Fund's (EEF) tiered approach, which is broken into three primary categories of spending:

- Quality Teaching (for example professional development, recruitment and retention, and support for early career teachers)
- Targeted Academic Support (for example interventions and one-to-one support)
- Wider strategies (for example behaviour approaches, breakfast clubs, attendance)

Pupil Premium Grant Allocation 2020/21: £33,680

Teaching Rationale: "The best available evidence indicates that great teaching is the most important lever, schools have to improve outcomes for their pupils" EEF tiered approach. At Coombe Hill Infants' we prioritise high quality instruction, scaffolding, flexible grouping and cognitive and metacognitive strategies.					Approx. contribution from Pupil Premium Grant: £27,203
Action	Implementation	Measuring impact	Approx cost	Impact	Evaluation notes
What do we want to	(how, who and when?)	(what data we are		(How we will recognise	
happen?		going to look at)		success)	
Staffing & recruitment:					
Close monitoring of PPG	PPG lead to work closely	Completed SIMMs	£15,720 -	Completed monitoring	Mid-year update:
pupil progress,	with PPG champions, SLT	data each term, up	towards	is fed back to staff and	/
attainment and	and class teachers.	to date data analysis	-time for PPG	SLT appropriately and	
wellbeing - ensure all	Literacy specialist to	each term, up to	champions	on time, resulting in	
PPG children make	work closely with PPG	date referrals/	and staff to	increased knowledge	End of year
sufficient progress in	lead and champions.	intervention	meet and	and skills in teaching	evaluation:
reading - reducing the Literacy specialist discuss PPG pupils .					It proved successful
gap seen in the data	teacher and SENCO to	Termly SLT learning	progress		to have a PPG
above and improving	help implement	walks focus on PPG		Phonic screen (yr2)	champion in each
	. '				year group. They



their self esteem.	interventions, precision	pupils	- cost of	scores diminish	were able to ensure
	teaching and early	PPG book looks	specialist	difference between	PPG children were
SDP "Prioritise reading	morning phonics.		literacy	PPG and non-PPG	considered in every
progress across the			teacher	children	year group meeting.
school with a focus on			- Cost of		This is something
comprehension, fluency,			support staff	PSHE (jigsaw) is	we will continue
confidence, stamina and			to run	implemented in every	next year.
enjoyment"			interventions	year group.	
			- PPG lead		Of the 11 PPG
			time		children 64%
			- SLT time to		achieved a "pass
			conduct		mark" in the year 2
			learning walks		phonics screen
			etc		- Phonics will
					continue to
					be a focus
					action point
					next year.
					Our progress
					Indicator shows the
					progress from the
					end of EYFS to end
					of KS1 - July 2021
					100% of PPG
					children achieved



					expected or above
					in reading
					73% of PPG children
					achieved exceeding.
					82% of PPG children
					achieved expected
					or above in writing.
					45% of PPG children
					achieved exceeding
					91% of PPG children
					achieved expected
					or above in maths.
					55% of PPG children
					achieved exceeding
Quality teaching and profe	ssional development:				
Ensuring high quality	Focus launched during	Parental	£11,483	Parents are happy with	Mid-year update:
remote learning is in	lockdown and refined	questionnaire	towards	remote learning	/
place to better suit the	Autumn 1 - termly	Ensure	-Chromebooks	provided and feel it is	
needs of PPG children in	meetings, discussing	disadvantaged pupils	-staff training	adequate.	
the event of a whole	successes and	have access to IT	-SLT time		End of year
school closure, class or	challenges.	Devise online		Parental questionnaire	evaluation:
year group closure		learning guidelines -		after periods of closure	
	- What went well	considerations made		70% of parents are	The revised home
Improve parental	before?	for PPG children.		happy with remote	learning offer was



engagement and	- What do we need	learning provided.	well received by
communication.	to improve?		parents.
		Tapestry up and	
	Improve communication	running for both	100% of PPG
	between parents and	reception and year 1	children were able
	school - Build and		to access learning
	maintain home/school	Google classroom	thanks to the
	relationships.	introduced for year 2	chromebooks and
	Extra Google chrome		regular 1:1
	books for staff and to be	Reading eggs and	interactive sessions
	loaned out to	mathletics for	
	disadvantaged PPG	everyone.	Of the 26 pupils in
	pupils.		receipt of FSM in
		All children are able to	2020/21, six were in
	Training provided for	access remote learning	school, and 9 were
	staff	from home.	receiving 1:1 daily
			support at home.
			The rest of the PPG
			children were able
			to access learning
			through our remote
			learning platforms,
			with regular
			feedback from their
			teachers. All 4
			children on the



		child protection
		register or with a
		child in need plan,
		were in school.



Targeted Academic Support

Rationale: "Evidence consistently shows the positive impact that targeted academic support can have, including for those pupils who are not making good progress across the spectrum of achievement" EEF tiered approach.

At Coombe Hill Infants' we build our interventions around the childrens' needs and aim to ensure our support staff are able to provide targeted academic support. Sessions are linked to daily/ weekly lessons and are maintained over a sustained period.

Approx. contribution from Pupil Premium Grant: £6,000

Action	Implementation	Measuring impact	Approx	Impact	Evaluation notes
What do we want to	(how, what, who and	(what data are we going	cost	(How we will recognise	
happen?	when?)	to look at)		success)	
Interventions:	•	•		•	•
Ensure staff are skilled	Training delivered to TA's.	TA's feel skilled and	£6,200	Interventions are run	Mid-year update:
and trained to deliver targeted academic	Literacy specialist teacher to offer support	secure to deliver interventions	towards the	successfully and their impact evaluated at	~
interventions and effective feedback time is allocated.	and training when needed for literacy interventions.	- TA questionnaire to be completed	training of staff	regular intervals throughout the year on edukey	End of year evaluation:
focus on reading and literacyoral skills and comprehension	Advice/ training organised from external agencies - speech and language Precision teaching - Year 1 sound/	autumn 2 - sharing skill set and training needs. SENCo to observe interventions and	time given to allow feedback sessions to teaching	Training is organised and delivered, both on site and by external agencies.	CPD attended • Attachment Awareness and emotion coaching • Lego Therapy • Colourful
	word literacy interventions	conduct learning walks and feedback	staff.		semantics • Speech and language



- Speech links - School start language - Lego therapy	sessions are brief and structured supporting resources are in place with clear objectives.	programmes for specific children • ELSA training • TA/LSA meeting
	Class teachers to ensure regular collaboration is achieved with TA running the intervention.	



Wider Strategies

Rationale: "A large and often unrecognised part of teachers work has always involved providing support for pupils' social emotional and behavioural needs" - EEF

At Coombe Hill Infants' we understand the importance of our childrens' emotional well being, even more so, during these COVID times. A childs' social emotional learning is not separate from their academic curriculum based learning. One cannot do well without the other.

Approx. contribution from Pupil Premium Grant:

£477

without the other. Action	Implementation	Measuring impact	Approx	Impact	Evaluation notes
What do we want to happen?	(how, what, who and when?)	(what we are going to look at)	cost	(How we will recognise success)	
Wellbeing:					
Ensure that all PPG pupils settle back into school and needs for emotional support are identified. SDP - "Introduce new PSHE scheme"	ELSAs and class teachers observe pupils identified as potentially vulnerable in Autumn 1 Small group or one to one time bound intervention planned by SENCo and ELSAs in response to individual needs to start Autumn 2 Permission gained from parents and referrals to EP where appropriate Attachment awareness award	ELSA observations of identified pupils before, during and after intervention- captured in regular feedback meetings pupil voice parent feedback	towards ELSA time ELSA training/ CPD + hours from EP time if needed.	Children referred to the EP respond well to recommendations. Children are receiving adequate ELSA time, allocated into their timetable. School will achieve an attachment awareness award.	Mid-year update: End of year evaluation: TA's timetables were devised to ensure more time was allocated for ELSA and nurture groups. School has achieved an attachment awareness award and will continue to work on the principles -



					with continued
					Attachment
					awareness training.
Attendance:					
To audit and assess the	Ensure positive	Increase in attendance	£0	97% attendance achieved	Mid-year update:
attendance of PPG children.	communication with parents - building rapport and close engagement.	throughout the year - track on a termly basis.			End of year evaluation:
SDP					In order to ensure our PPG children
"Continue to embed a rigorous approach to absence and punctuality"	SENCO to audit attendance of PPG children - ensure PPG parents attend parental				attend school on a regular basis, we track the PPG children's attendance
	workshops and parents chats etc.				on a weekly basis - SENCO will review on a termly basis - 2021/22

Total expenditure: £33, 680

**NB; These figures are only part of the total cost to the school of each strategy, additional money is provided from the school budget.

PPG children are also given...

- Free access to trips and clubs
- Home learning packs twice a year
- Play therapists assigned to LAC children and Post LAC when needed