

Pupil Premium received 2015-2016

We received £28,500. This is how we spent it...

Staffing: Enabled the school to maintain full Teaching Assistant support in all classes to target vulnerable groups during English and Maths lessons

Teaching Assistants to provide mathematics and English intervention for KS2 pupils.

Training: Contributed towards the cost of whole school continued professional development that will lead to improved learning opportunities.

Additional Resources to engage and support pupils in their learning:

Mundford Junction (Reading Cafe approach for reading)

Enrichment: Provided a wider range of curriculum opportunities & ensuring that money does not become a barrier to equality of access to an enhanced curriculum.

The impact of Pupil Premium this year:

Staff have accessed additional training with the cluster, attended cluster subject network meetings to share good practice and have also had further in-school support from our school improvement partners Edison Learning. Teaching Assistants work alongside Teachers, they also provide additional support out of the classroom. Continuous professional development and additional skilled adults in the classroom enables staff to offer improved learning opportunities for our pupils and better results. School data shows a gap between the progress of Year 6 pupils for whom we have received Pupil Premium compared to the rest of their year group in maths. There is a smaller gap between the progress of these two groups of children in reading. Maths and reading will be a focus for school improvement next year.

Mundford Junction, our reading café, is well attended. Funding is required to purchase resources. A high proportion of parents attend this half termly event, for each class, and recognise its value. We have identified that our pupils are good at simple, basic text retrieval and that the skill of looking for inferences and making deductions is more challenging for them. At the Mundford Junction this skill is modelled by the teacher so parents recognise how to support their child at home.

Parents of pupils who are eligible for FSM have not been asked to make voluntary contributions towards swimming or to participate in school trips, including the residential trip. This year this has been 2 terms of swimming for Year 5 & 6 pupils, visits to Banham Zoo, Melsop Farm, Pensthorpe, RSPB Lakenheath Fen, The Green Britain Centre as well as the YMCA National Centre, Lakeside, Cumbria for a week of camping and adventurous outdoor activities. It is recognised by parents and pupils that these trips are of significant educational value. We therefore ensure that family finances do not limit pupils' access to these opportunities through the use of Pupil Premium Funding.