



Pupil Premium Strategy Statement

An ambitious and inclusive Trust of Schools

The Ted Wragg Trust has the highest expectations for every child, every day, with social justice at our core. We are determined for everyone to fulfill their greatest potential, to be the best that they can be. Our inclusive Trust has a relentless commitment to help transform lives through learning.

Strengthening our communities

The Trust invests its energy and resource to help build optimistic and resilient communities and relishes the responsibility to grow exciting futures for all. We are committed to furthering social justice and providing fairer and more inclusive opportunities.

Excellent Education

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The Ted Wragg Trust puts children at the centre of all we do. We deliver a high quality, knowledge rich and inspiring curriculum. Our caring and inspirational team, work together to equip students with the knowledge, skills and experience to become compassionate and courageous citizens, determined to make the world a better place.



Every Child Succeeds

Social justice; transforming lives through learning.

We believe in:

- the provision of an outstanding educational experience for every child, regardless of their background
- improving the life chances of every child through the removal of barriers that may affect their learning and personal development
- providing the right opportunities to enable every child to
- the need to know every child and having the highest expectations for and of them
- the power of partnership working (Parents and Carers, External Agencies, Primary Schools, FE Providers)
- no child leaving education without a confirmed next step in place

This statement details our school's use of pupil premium (and recovery premium for the 2021 to 2022 academic year) funding to help improve the attainment of our disadvantaged pupils.

It outlines our Pupil Premium Strategy, how we intend to spend the funding in this academic year and the effect that last year's spending of pupil premium had within our school.

School Overview

Detail	Data
School name	St James School
Number of pupils in school	972
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	306 (31.5%)
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	September 2021- September 2024
Date this statement was published	October 2022
Date on which it will be reviewed	September 2023
Statement authorised by	Lindsay Skinner
Pupil premium lead	Steve Brown
Governor / Trustee lead	TBC

Funding Overview

Detail	Amount		
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	297,806		
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	75,599 (we've deemed this as allocated towards staffing (through contact time) and the SEND strategy.		
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	0		
Total budget for this academic year	373,405		
If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year			

Part A: Pupil Premium Strategy Plan

Statement of Intent

St James is a thriving, diverse and ambitious community that is consistently one of the highest performing in the area. We perform so well because from the moment they join us, we ask our pupils to work hard and be kind. These two behaviours epitomise what we think is important for both pupils and staff alike.

We ensure that all of our pupils are outward facing and enjoy a full range of experiences and opportunities whilst they are at St James. Our disruption free classrooms enable them to develop into open minded, receptive and kind people, who embrace new ideas and change, and who enjoy life and want to explore it by experiencing new things. The arts are core to our curriculum and are the beating heart of our school.

At the core of our ambitious learning culture is a broad, knowledge-rich curriculum, which is cohesive, cumulative and effectively sequenced. Our curriculum for all pupils is academic, rigorous and challenging, and designed with long-term memory in mind; pupils' knowledge, skills and understanding are cemented by frequent and systematic revisiting.

When making decisions about using Pupil Premium funding it is important to consider the context of the school and the subsequent challenges faced. This alongside research conducted by the EEF. Common barriers to learning for disadvantaged children can be: less support at home, weak language and communication skills, lack of confidence, more frequent behaviour difficulties and attendance and punctuality issues. There may also be complex family situations that prevent children from flourishing. The challenges are varied and there is no "one size fits all". We will ensure that all teaching staff are involved in the analysis of data and identification of pupils, so that they are fully aware of strengths and weaknesses across the school.

Our school will:

- Have a designated Senior Leader who is part of the Trust Disadvantaged Network and contributes to termly review of impact and the sharing of best practice.
- Have a named Governor for Disadvantaged.
- Have a costed Pupil Premium Strategy that uses a consistent framework based on the three areas
 of need identified through the EEF research. This plan will be available on the website and reviewed
 termly by senior leaders and Governors.
- Contribute to Disadvantaged peer reviews and will also undertake an external review every 3 years.
- Provide funding for DS to access extra-curricular opportunities and ensure they are represented in every aspect of school life.
- Ensure every aspect of the school's KPI's have a reporting mechanism for Disadvantage.

In addition, we will use the following guiding principles as part of our work in supporting Disadvantaged children:

- First, all staff are aware of the disadvantaged pupils they teach, tutor or mentor: we consciously build strong relationships with these pupils, gaining knowledge of their subject strengths and areas for development, their individual contexts and aspirations.
- We focus relentlessly on developing them as individuals: their talents, their academic endeavours and acknowledge and address the unique barriers they face.

- At the front of our minds we remember that we are powerful advocates: we have a responsibility
 to ensure that every disadvantaged pupil is prioritised for enriching academic and extra- curricular
 opportunities that challenge and inspire them.
- We develop disadvantaged pupils as leaders in our community: we believe in them, even when
 they don't believe in themselves; we prioritise them at every opportunity, proactively encourage
 them to take on leadership roles and ensure they develop the skills in order for them to be
 successful.
- We know that excellent teaching is at the heart of disadvantaged learners' success: supported by our ambitious learning culture, our pedagogy, knowledge-rich, cohesive curriculum, consistent routines, feedback, high expectations and strong knowledge of individuals can and do make a difference to our most vulnerable pupils.
- We know that excellent teaching is adaptive and meets the needs of the learner: teachers engage
 with incremental coaching and evidence-informed approaches to refine, develop and improve in
 order to ensure our learners achieve their potential. We understand the importance of subject
 mastery and seek always to develop subject knowledge and expertise.
- We address financial and practical barriers to learning and enrichment: we know how parents or carers can apply for bursaries to support access to activities and enrichment opportunities; we provide essential equipment, discounts for uniform and study guides for disadvantaged pupils.
- We offer opportunities for independent practice: we explicitly teach pupils learning habits, which
 are embedded in lessons and monitor their success throughout their school career and intervene,
 where necessary, to support progress.
- We raise aspirations and focus on the future: we provide guidance and support that allow our pupils to explore opportunities they may not have considered. Pupils are prioritised for careers advice and work experience. We develop strong links with universities and businesses in order to encourage all pupils to broaden their horizons.

We understand that excellent attendance is fundamental to pupil success: we intervene early and positively when pupils are absent and ensure that any barriers to excellent attendance are addressed.

Challenges

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

Challenge Number	Detail of Challenge
1	 Weaker literacy skills Pupils in receipt of pp (pp) join us with weaker literacy skills. The average scaled score (SATs) for English for pupils in receipt of pp is 101.86. The average for pupils not in receipt of pp is 104.83. (yr 9-11 as yr7 & 8 did not complete SATs) In the English Bucket (Lang & Lit) last academic year there was a 0.37 difference in progress between pp and non pp pupils. In EBACC subjects overall there was a 0.81 difference. The gap between pp and non pp pupils in English Language is 0.15. 46% of pupils who have a standardised reading score of below 85 are pupils in receipt of pp. Pp pupils were underrepresented in top set English last year, making up 20.73% of pupils (year 7-10). Pupils receiving pp were less likely to accept and use their access arrangements for examinations. Proportionally fewer pupils achieved a distinction in the spoken language endorsement last academic year with 27.43% of non pp pupils achieving a distinction versus 5.14% of pp pupils.

	 Pp pupils were over represented in literacy groups last year making up 49.3% of pupils.
2	More frequent behaviour difficulties.
Z	Disadvantaged pupils are more likely to receive behaviour points, spend time in reset
	and receive a fixed term exclusion. This has an effect on their academic progress. Last
	year there were the following number of events on average per pp and non pp pupil: -
	• Sent to Time Out: 0.57 (non pp) versus 1.12 (pp).
	BPs during lesson time: 4.89 (non pp) versus 9.33 (pp). Number of evolutions a state death 0.058 (non pp) versus 9.387 (no)
	Number of exclusions per student: 0.058 (non pp) versus 0.387 (pp). The state of exclusions per student: 0.058 (non pp) versus 0.387 (pp).
	There were 96 days lost due to FTE for pp pupils and 53 days lost for non pp pu-
	pils. This equates to 0.34 days lost to FTE for pp pupils versus 0.078 days lost to
	FTE for non pp pupils.
	 Visits to reset (2BPs in one lesson): 0.68 (non pp) versus 1.32 (pp).
	 70% of pupils on Pupil Support Plans are pp pupils.
	 Pp pupils are much more likely to receive detentions. Last academic year, de-
	tentions per pp and non pp pupil in each year group were as follows: -
	o Y10 (7.2 vs 2.3)
	o Y9 (6.7 v 1.7)
	o Y8 (6.1 v 1.5)
	o Y7 (9.5 v 1.4)
3	Disadvantaged pupils are less likely to read for pleasure which has a detrimental ef-
-	fect on academic progress.
	 Only 39 (31%) pupils in receipt of pp took out a library book in 2020-21.
	• 52% of the pupils who do not read regularly as part of Sparx reader are pupils in
	receipt of pp.
4	Weaker numeracy.
	 There was a difference of 0.2 in attainment between pp and no pp pupils in
	Maths GCSE last academic year.
	 Non pp pupils are over represented in numeracy groups making up 40% of pu-
	pils.
	 Pupils in receipt of pp join us with weaker numeracy skills. The average scaled
	score (SATs) for Maths for pupils in receipt of pp is 101.89. The average for pu-
	pils not in receipt of pp is 103.98. (yr 9-11 as yr7 & 8 did not complete SATs)
5	Disadvantaged pupils who are Higher Prior Attainers make less progress than Higher
5	Prior Attainers who are not disadvantaged.
	In our current year 11, we have 89 high prior attaining pupils, 69 of which are not in re-
	ceipt of pp, 20 who are in receipt of pp. HPA pupils who are eligible for pp are not mak-
	ing the same amount of progress as non-pp HPA pupils: -
	 In maths the gap shows HPAG pupils with pp exceeding non-PP at +0.05.
	• In English the HPAG pp gap is -0.58.
	The overall HPAG pp vs. Non-pp P8 gap is -0.28.
	The 5EM gap for HPAG pp vs non-pp is 8.91%.
	 None of our successful applicants for Scholarships or the Reach Academy were
	pp pupils.
6	Parental engagement and support from home.
U	Parents evening attendance – Only 15% of the parents who attended parent
	evening online meetings were the parents of pp pupils (y8 data only).
	 During the 4 weeks from Jan 25th to Feb 26th 2021, non pp pupils were more
	likely to access home learning as follows: -
	\circ Week 1 – 100% v 97%

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pp pupils.
 The majority of pupils receiving pp have been buying grab and go food, rather than a sit-down main meal.
8 Attendance and Punctuality issues.
• 36.4% of pupils in receipt of pp were persistently absent last academic year.
 12.5% of sessions were missed due to absence for pupils in receipt of pp (in comparison to 8.1% nationally).
 On average, pupils in receipt of pp are late to school 0.57% of the time. Pupils
not in receipt of pp are late, on average, 0.19% of the time.
 Pp pupils are more likely to be late for lessons. The average number of lates pe
pupil last year was 0.49 (non pp) versus 1.05 (pp).
9 Complex family situations.
 76% of Children In Need last academic year were pp pupils.
 100% of our pupils under Child Protection were pp pupils.
 68% of pupils in receipt of Early Help last academic year (y7-10) were pp pupils.
Accumulation of skills and experiences needed to improve social capital and life aspi-
rations.
 None of our successful applicants for Scholarships or the Reach Academy were pp pupils.
 Pp pupils are under-represented in the prefect team, making up 22.6% of pre- fects.
All 5 of our NEET pupils last academic year were pp pupils.
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ademic year compared to 31% of non pp pupils.

Intended Outcomes and Review

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.

Success criteria met	On track to meet	Started but not on track	Not yet started
	success criteria	to meet success criteria	

Intended Outcome	Success Criteria	21- 22	22- 23	23- 24
Improved literacy	The attainment gap in the spoken language endorsement between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils will reduce. 100% of students entitled to PP passed their spoken laguage endorsement.			
skills	Book looks show that disadvantaged pupils use academic sentence structures. Book looks this year show that academic sentence structures are used almost consistently across students entitled to PP.			
Behavioural issues addressed	There will be a reduction in behaviour points for pupils in receipt of pp.			
	There will be a reduction in Resets for pupils in receipt of pp.			
	There will be a reduction in suspensions for pupils in receipt of pp			
	Student voice will show that pupils in receipt of pp feel supported through their waved interventions and pastoral data supports this.			
	All pupils read at least 5 books per year in canon.			
Pupils eligible for pp to maintain positive attitudes to reading and to	Learning walks will show children utilising reading strategies from our common reading policy. They will read out loud when asked.			
develop pleasure in reading.	There will be an increase in the number of disadvantaged pupils taking books from the library so that it is in line with their non-disadvantaged peers.			

			d progress gap b antaged pupils w			
	Maths	DS	Non DS	Gap	1	
	P8 2021	0.38	0.36	0.02	1	
	A8 2021	4.35	4.43	-0.08	1	
	P8 2022	0.35	0.39	-0.04	1	
	A8 2022	4.68	5.42	-0.74	1	
Improved numeracy	20_21 Numeracy group 40% PP The attainment and progress gap for Higher Prior Attainers in Mathematics will reduce.				·	
	Pupils in years 7 and 8 will be able to fluently recall their times tables and number bonds.					
	tainers will a	achieve schol	pp identified as arships and gain	_		
	College's Reach Academy. 2021: 12 applied for Reach Academy. 0% successful applicants were PP.					
Higher rates of progress across KS3 & KS4 for high attaining pupils	2022: 7 students applied for Reach Academy. 2 of them were entitled to Pupil Premium (=29%)					
eligible for pp.		er Prior Attai	of pupils in rece ners will be part			
	Evidence of a books looks.		n of learning will	be evident in		

Increased parental engagement and support from home.	The number of parents of pupils eligible for pp attending parent/carer evenings will be in line with their peers who are not in receipt of pp.		
	All pp pupils will complete and bring in KO work daily.		
	The number of parents of pupils eligible for pp with access to ClassCharts will be in line with their peers who are not in receipt of pp.		
Pupils eligible for pp will know what constitutes a	Families and pupils will feel well informed about what an appropriate healthy diet looks like.		
healthy diet and will participate in some form of exercise outside of	Our disadvantaged pupils will be able to identify what is/is not a healthy diet.		
school weekly.	There will be an increase in the amount of participation in exercise for our disadvantaged pupils through our elective programme.		
	Canteen sales of the sit-down meal will increase.		
Increased attendance rates and punctuality	The number of persistent absentees among pupils eligible for pp will reduce.		
for pupils eligible for pp.	Overall pp attendance will be above national.		
	There will be a reduction in the number of pp pupils late to school.		
Families identified as having complex	Parent voice will be captured to further understand and address barriers to educational success.		
family situations are supported through a multiagency approach.	We have written a survey that will go out shortly and we have signed up to partake in Edurio.		
	Pupils that have been affected by adverse childhood experiences will feel supported.		
	30% of cohort now have ACE score measured.		
	ACE screening is now part of admissions process.		
	Waved survey will feed in.		

	PP pupils with complex family situations will be supported through Early Help and will meet at least three times each academic year.		
	Every pp pupil will take part in at least one elective activity per week. 100% of PP students are participating in electives		
	Every pp pupil will attend at least 1 school trip each year.		
	In progress. Trips have now started running again. Enrichment week will facilitate this.		
Pp pupils to accumulate the			
skills and experiences needed to	There will be at least a proportionate number of pupils in receipt of pp in leadership positions, clubs, teams, trips etc.		
improve social capital and life aspirations.	Every pp pupil will have a careers interview in KS4.		
	Every pp pupil will have the opportunity to have lessons and graded examinations in a musical instrument.		
	SAB has asked MXM/CXB.		
	6 drum lessons		

Activity in this Academic Year

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

Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention) Budgeted cost: £148,903

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Coaching programme of	To maintain high quality teaching, continued	1-5
teacher development and	professional development must be	
training including the use of PassPro.	embedded. Incremental coaching is a form of teacher development based on an	
or PassPro.	approach to observation and follow-up	
	conversations advocated in Leverage	
	Leadership by Paul Bambrick-Santoyo.	
English over staffing to	The EEF found that small group tuition has	1 & 3
provide small group	an average impact of four months' addi-	
literacy and English	tional progress over the course of a year.	
support.	Small group tuition is most likely to be	
	effective if it is targeted at pupils' specific	
	need. Diagnostic assessment can be used to	
	assess the best way to target support.	

A targeted additional literacy curriculum.	Myhill (2012) showed grammar in context teaching improved test scores: 'a simple two-sample t-test suggests a highly significant (p < 0.001) positive effect size of 5.11 percentage marks for the intervention in terms of improvement in writing attainment.' The EEF found that reading comprehension strategies have a high average impact of 6 months additional progress over the course of a year.	1 & 3
We are a member of the PiXL network of schools which collaborate, share best practice and equip leaders to drive improvement in schools.	Nationally, PiXL schools outperform non- PiXL schools in of terms progress 8.	1-10
All pupils use Knowledge Organisers for their home learning.	Roediger et al state that 'regular retrieval practice is important, because active retrieval aids later retention. Testing will also identify gaps in knowledge, lead to more learning on the next study session and produce better organisation of knowledge. Ebbinghaus' model of the forgetting curve demonstrates that active recall is an effective means of retaining long term knowledge. Sweller's cognitive load theory has implications for learning materials which must, if they are to be effective, keep cognitive load of learners at a minimum during the learning process.	1 & 5

Targeted academic support (for example, tutoring, one-to-one support structured interventions) Budgeted cost: £74,452

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
We will use Lexia Literacy as a targeted intervention.	Based on the strength of existing studies, Lexia's large user base across England and a strong alignment to their guidance reports on improving Literacy, the EEF identified Lexia as a promising program to investigate and are currently evaluating its effectiveness in 50+ primary schools.	1, 3
	Lexia UK sent various datasets in 2007 and again in 2012. Three studies (Norfolk, York, Cumbria) were based on the computerinstalled system. Norfolk and York showed useful to substantial gains in	

	comprehension, Cumbria demonstrated useful gains in reading accuracy, and York and Cumbria showed useful gains in spelling. A project in Darlington using the web-based system showed a useful gain in reading	
All pupils will take the NGRT 3 times per academic year.	The EEF found that effective diagnosis of reading difficulties is important in identifying possible solutions, particularly for older struggling readers. Pupils can struggle with decoding words, understanding the structure of the language used, or understanding particular vocabulary, which maybe subject specific.	1, 3 & 4
A daily Homework Club for 2 hours after school each day led by trained staff.	The EEF found that programmes which extend school time have a positive impact on average. Before and after programmes with a clear structure, a strong link to the curriculum, and well-qualified and well-trained staff are more clearly linked to academic benefits than other types of extended hours provision.	1, 3 & 6
Targeted support delivered by trained Teaching Assistants.	The EEF found that Teaching Assistants can provide a large positive impact on learner outcomes. The average impact of the deployment of teaching assistants is about an additional four months' progress over the course of a year.	1 & 2

Wider strategies (for example, related to Personal development, attendance, behaviour, wellbeing) Budgeted cost: £ 74,451

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Pastoral Support Manager.	The EEF found that the average impact of behaviour interventions is four additional months' progress over the course of a year. Evidence suggests that, on average, behaviour interventions can produce moderate improvements in academic performance along with a decrease in problematic behaviours.	2, 6, 8, 9
School Mentor— Delivering Early Help and counselling as well as signposting wider interventions.	The EEF found that, mentoring appears to have a small positive impact on academic outcomes. Some studies have found more positive impacts for pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds.	2, 6

The Electives Programme - Compulsory enrichment for 1 ½ hours each week incorporating creativity, activity & service.	One of the key lessons learned in the Closing the Attainment Gap document produced by the EEF is that essential life skills are more important in determining life chances.	2, 8, 10
Breakfast Club .	Evaluation from the EEF found that in schools where there were free of charge, universally provided breakfasts before school, there was an average of 2 months' additional progress for pupils in Key Stage 1. Schools that had a Breakfast Club also saw improved attendance.	8, 11
Targeted use of external providers (Chances and The Bridge) who help pupils to remain in mainstream education.	Research shows that early intervention has a significant impact to a child's development leading to improved outcomes for children with developmental delay, including higher intelligence (IQ), and increased social and daily living skills (Boyd et al., 2014; Magiati, Tay, & Howlin, 2012; Prior, Roberts, Roger, & Williams, 2011; Warren et al., 2011). Young children with developmental delays who receive the recommended early intervention have a much greater chance, later in life, of living independently securing employment and developing meaningful and lasting friendships and relationships with long-term research showing benefits for children as they grow and develop (Howlin, 1997).	2, 8, 9, 10
All pupils receive high quality careers advice.	The EEF found that 'young people from poorer homes are more likely to be uncertain about the qualifications they need to access their chosen career and get the skills they need'. The EEF looked at a number of studies and 60% of these provided largely positive findings of educational outcomes, 67% provided evidence of positive economic outcomes and 62% of these provided evidence of positive social outcomes.	5, 10
A school minibus.	Research for The Social Mobility Commission by the University of Bath has reported that household income is by far the most important factor driving gaps in participation, with children from the poorest households much less likely to take part in all types of extra-curricular activities, but especially music and sport.	2, 5, 7, 10

	 The Ofsted framework has identified three barriers to participation in extra – curricular activities: The direct cost of an activity and /or the associate costs of equipment or transport. Difficulties managing family logistics (timings and schedules) Concerns about physical safety of children traveling unaccompanied 	
	from school to another venue	
Safeguarding lead and home liaison officer.	Evidence shows that pupils with an attendance of 95% or less do not achieve as well academically as peers with an attendance of over 95%. 'Improving Attendance Guidance Report' and 'Working with Parents to Support Children's Learning Guidance Report' from the EEF suggests that effective parental engagement can lead to learning gains of +3 months over the course of a year. Evidence from the EEF's Teaching and Learning Toolkit suggests that effective Social Emotional Learning can lead to learning gains of +4 months over the course of a year.	2, 6, 8
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Total budgeted cost: £327,440

Externally Provided Programmes

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you purchased in the previous academic year. This will help the Department for Education identify which ones are popular in England

Programme	Provider
Sparx reader	Sparx
Sparx maths	Sparx
Lexia	Lexia

Service Pupil Premium Funding

Measure	Details
How did you spend your service pupil premium allocation last academic year?	We have 3 service children. Our service children have benefitted from the various approaches to pastoral support outlined above as well as participation in our enrichment programme. We place great importance on ensuring that our pupils understand what Remembrance Day means and place great emphasis on marking this
	occasion appropriately.
What was the impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils?	Increased student outcomes. Pupils felt more involved in the school community.