

Exeter Road Community Primary School

Pupil Premium Statement 2015-16

Common barriers for FSM 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".

Our key objective in using the Pupil Premium Grant is to narrow the gap between pupil groups.

As a school we have a good track record of ensuring that pupils make at least expected progress. Through targeted interventions we are working to eliminate barriers to learning and progress. For children who start school with low attainment on entry, our aim is to ensure that they make accelerated progress in order to reach age related expectations or above as they move through the school.

We have analysed our data and have made use of research on good practice in using Pupil Premium funding, such as the Education Endowment Foundation Teaching and Learning Toolkit toolkit to inform our decision making.

In the 2015-16 financial year Exeter Road will received **£91,592** of additional funding to help support children in receipt of free school meals. Some of the things that this funding contributed to providing for pupils will be:

- Access to our outdoor education programme for designated periods across the year.
- 50% discount from the cost of the Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 residential for pupils in receipt of free school meals.
- 50% contributions for other school trips (some trips free) for pupils in receipt of free school meals.
- Access to gifted and talented events and activities.
- Access to a range on intervention programmes to support learning in reading, writing and maths.
- A Children & Families Co-ordinator (Miss Cracknell) who supports children and families with a range of behavioural and emotional issues.
- Our Outdoor Education programme, led by Mr Clarke, which helps build confidence and resilience.