The pupil premium was introduced in April 2011 and is allocated to schools to work with pupils who have been registered for free school meals at any point in the last six years (known as 'Ever 6 FSM'). The government believes that the pupil premium, which is additional to main school funding, is the best way to address the current underlying inequalities between children eligible for free school meals (FSM) and their peers. Schools also receive funding for children who are looked after and children of service personnel.

All our work through the pupil premium is aimed at ensuring all children achieve their best by accelerating their progress and moving them to at least Age-Related Expectations in English and Mathematics. Given interventions are specifically targetted and the duration is limited, at any one time during the academic year, not all of pupil premium children will be in receipt of an intervention. Funding is also used to supplement pay for Teacher Assistants as their inclusion to the school adds quality to learning opportunities in all classes.

In addition, we would not wish for any child to miss out on class trips that enhance learning, due to their personal funding situation, so the school may include funding for that provision.

In 2020-21, a tiered approach to Pupil Premium spending balances different approaches to improving teaching and learning: targeted academic support and wider strategies. The three tiers are:

- 1) Teaching for example support Quality First Teaching, making effective use of TAs to support learning.
- 2) Targetted academic support for example structured interventions, small group tuition and one-to-one support.
- 3) Wider strategies for example behaviour approaches (Step On), counselling from YMCA.

Income 2020-21		16770
Focussed and targetted small		5893
group interventions		
Quality first teaching		2978
supported by TAs		
Wider Strategies	YMCA	4500
	Technologies	660
Additional 1:1 provision for learning for PP pupils who are in need of SEND funding		2739

Provision is first planned and recorded using teacher led Provision Mapping of the pupils' priority needs and linked interventions. Impact is then measured by the progress of individual children, monitored and discussed at termly pupil progress meetings.