

Pupil Premium at Eckington School

What is Pupil Premium?

Starting in 2012, the Department for Education committed itself to providing extra financial support for students in state-funded schools who:

- were in receipt of free school meals (FSM) (and indeed those who had been in receipt of FSM in the previous 6 years)
- were looked-after children
- were part of a 'forces family' i.e. their parents were employed in the armed forces.

In 2013 the Department for Education widened this funding to :

- Students who are adopted

In 2012/13 we received a total of £135,000. In 2013/14 we received £208,800 and in 2014 – 2015 we received £210,270. In 2015/16 we received £209,210 and in 2016/17 we received £222,000. This academic year (2017/18) we anticipate that we will receive £215,000.

Our commitment to our Pupil Premium students

Our aim is to spend this extra money to the best benefit of our 244 Pupil Premium (PP) students. Specifically we shall seek to:

- ❖ improve our students' levels of attainment and progress
- ❖ close the attainment gap between PP students and non-PP students
- ❖ provide our students with the care, guidance and support which they need to succeed
- ❖ encourage our students to take part in our extra-curricular provision.
- ❖ improve PP students' motivation
- ❖ improve PP students' aspirations
- ❖ improve PP students' attendance
- ❖ improve the engagement of parents of PP students
- ❖ improve PP students' attitudes to learning
- ❖ improve PP students' behaviour

At Eckington School we believe that the most important way to improve pupil premium student's attainment and subsequently close the gap between PP students and non PP students is by providing them with consistently good teaching and learning day in day out. We know and understand that a disadvantaged student will be disproportionately positively affected by good teaching and therefore we ensure that the teaching and learning across the school is our focus. The strategies/incentives/interventions that we put in place seek to address and improve teaching and learning, leadership and management, personal development: behaviour and well-being and outcomes.

If you have any enquiries regarding the pupil premium funding please contact our pupil premium champion; Mrs Katherine Needham or the pupil premium link governor.