

## Pupil Premium at Samuel White's Infant School 2013-14

### What is the Pupil Premium?

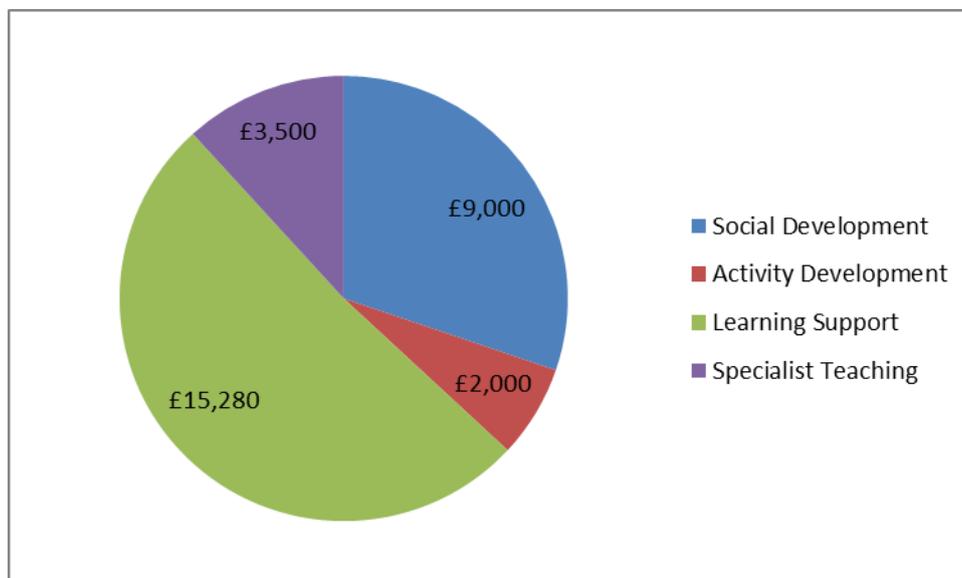
The Government believes that the Pupil Premium, which is additional to main school funding, is the best way to address the current underlying inequalities between children eligible for free school meals (FSM) and their more advantaged peers by ensuring that funding to tackle disadvantage reaches the pupils who need it most. Currently Pupil Premium equates to £900 per child eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) or forces' children. 'Looked after' children also receive funding at a higher rate.

### How are children selected for support?

Samuel White's Infant School is an inclusive school and we regularly review progress and attainment for all children. Additional support is put in place to support pupils who are underachieving, including the use of Pupil Premium Funding. Whilst the school recognises that children eligible for Free School Meals statistically underachieve nationally, this is not always the case and the school will not automatically target Pupil Premium funding equally towards all FSM pupils, as most achieve as well as their peers and some achieve higher. Additional support is therefore allocated accordingly through the school system for tracking and intervention.

### How are we planning to spend Pupil Premium?

Samuel White's Infant School received £29,790 for the 2013-14 year. This was spent as follows:



### What does the funding provide?

**Specialist Teaching:** This element supported the introduction of the important role of Inclusion Manager (IM) across the Hanham Primary Federation from January 2014. The IM is directly responsible for provision for all vulnerable groups, including children supported by Pupil Premium. It supported the SWI salary contribution and training.

**Social Development:** This funded the post of Family Link Worker (FLW) for the whole of the 2013-14 school year.

**Learning Support:** This funded two specific elements of support:

1. A Pupil Premium specific TA who worked with FSM learners and Looked After Children.
2. The provision of adequate TA time in EYFS to cater for vulnerable groups, including FSM children.

**Activity Development:** This is funding used to enable FSM learners to access extra curriculum provision such as the Early Bird Club (Summer Term 2014) and after school clubs run by an external coaching agency.

### **Was this provision effective?**

The new Primary and Infant Headteacher (in post Sep 2013) inherited the provision that was in place for the 2013-14 school year. While the staff members employed were effective in their roles, the provision did not fully meet the needs of the children. This was partly because of the inflexibility of the provision and partly because of the changing nature of the need.

Provision for 2014-15 was planned around a more flexible and responsive approach.