

Pupil Premium

The Pupil Premium is allocated to children from low income families who are currently known to be eligible for Free School Meals and children who have been looked after continuously for more than 6 months.

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 and their peers ensuring that funding to tackle disadvantage reaches the pupil that need it most.

It is up to schools to decide how the Pupil Premium allocated to schools per FSM pupil, is spent, since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils within their responsibility

The Ridgeway School and Sixth Form College's allocation from the pupil premium in 2011/12 was £54,522

We utilised this money in a variety of ways to enhance opportunities for eligible learners in our school.

Some of the ways we spent it are:

- Supporting Learners in KS4 by providing smaller class sizes in the core subjects
- Providing enhanced mentoring for FSM and LAC pupils in Y11 in the core subjects
- Providing academic mentoring within team structures for the most vulnerable and underachieving pupils
- Delivering specialist literacy and phonics support for KS3 pupils
- Counselling Services
- 1:1 Maths Tuition

Achievement in 2012

The achievement of Y11 FSM and LAC pupils in 2011/12 can be seen below alongside the summary results for the Y11 cohort

Measure	Whole School	FSM Pupils
No. Pupils	838	174
English	70%	65%
Maths	60%	56%

The allocation for Pupil Premium 12/13 was £99,000

Some of the ways we intend to spend it are:

- **Literacy and Numeracy specialist supporting the weakest pupils with Literacy and numeracy**
- **Increased resources for the Learning Resource Centre**
- **Funding for an afterschool Homework club for FSM pupils**
- **Literacy Programme for targeted pupils**
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- **Training sessions for staff on raising awareness of data tracking and intervening with FSM pupils**
- **Language Support**
- **Summer School targeted at FSM and LAC as well as underachieving Y6 Pupils**
- **Subsidising the cost of school trips for FSM Pupils**
- **Uniform Grants**
- **Counselling Services**
- **Additional Educational Psychologist Hours**
- **Additional Inclusion Staff**