Pupil Premium Strategy Statement January 2020.

School Overview

Metric	Data
School name	The Mosslands School
Pupils in school	110
Proportion of disadvantaged pupils	37%
Pupil premium allocation this academic year	£377,056
Academic year or years covered by statement	2019 - 2022
Publish date	October 2019
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Disadvantaged pupil performance overview for last academic year

Progress 8	-1.33
Ebacc entry	17.6%
Attainment 8	32.17
Percentage of Grade 5+ in English and Maths	14.7%
Percentage of Grade 4+ in English and Maths	36.8%

Strategy aims for disadvantaged pupils

Aim	Target	Target date
Progress 8	To close the gap in progress 8 scores compared to disadvantaged students nationally	Summer 2020
Attainment 8	To close the gap in attainment 8 scores compared to disadvantaged students nationally	Summer2020
Percentage of Grade 5+ in English and maths	Achieve national average English and Maths 5+ scores	Summer 2020
Percentage of Grade 4+ in English and maths	Achieve national average English and Maths 4+ scores	Summer 2020
Other	Improve attendance 93.2% – reduce the number of students who are disadvantaged PA (101)	Summer 2020

Measure	Activity	
Priority 1 Quality First Teaching	• To continue to recruit and retain staff to ensure all curriculum areas are taught by subject specialists and improve the pupil teacher ratio.	
	• To continue to develop high quality teaching in order to close the gaps for disadvantaged students.	
	• Quality Assurance, book scrutiny and line management to provide evidence that will support the closing of the gaps across all year groups.	
Priority 2 Continuing Professional	• To ensure staff are equipped to deliver high quality lessons to disadvantaged students.	
Development	The training priorities over the next three years are:	
	 Staff training on the evidence based research for "Closing the Gap (EEF Education Endowment Foundation and Using the Teacher Toolkit) 	
	 Literacy, Metacognition, Feedback, Differentiation – using the evidence based research from the EEF) 	
	Supporting SEND and Adverse Childhood Experiences.	
	Sharing of good practice across the curriculum.	
	Development of a Pupil Premium steering group.	
Barriers to learning these	Retaining subject specialist teachers in all areas of the curriculum	
priorities address	• Low Attaining Pupil Premium students have weaker reading, writing and mathematical skills upon entering Year 7, which is a barrier to them making good progress in Year 7.	
	 High attaining pupils who are eligible for Pupil Premium are making less progress than other high attaining pupils across Key Stage 3. This will prevent sustained high achievement through KS4 if not addressed. 	
Projected spending	£53,100 Staffing	

Targeted academic support for current academic year

Measure	Activity	
Priority 1 Year 11 Intervention	• Targeted, planned and structured Year 11 interventions during; AM registration, lunch, after school and in school holidays.	
	Small Group Provision for Year 11	
	ASDAN Qualifications.	
	Alternative Provision – (WRAP, Cornerstones, Westlake)	
Priority 2	Accelerated Reader for Years 7 & 8	
Years 7-10 Catch-up	National Literacy Skills Academy	
	Wirral Book Awards Club for High Achievers	
	Maths Mastery	
	Nurture provision	
	Small Group Provision	
	Alternative Provision	
Priority 3 Access Provision	 SEND students have access arrangements to access the curriculum and examinations 	

Barriers to learning these priorities address	 Closing the gap for Year 7 students not making age expectations in Maths and English 	
	 Low levels of parental support influencing low literacy outcomes 	
	 Poor Attendance, Low Aspiration, Low Ambition 	
	Provision of alternative curriculum	
Projected spending	£51,492 staffing £85,975 non-staffing	

Wider strategies for current academic year

Measure	Activity	
Priority 1	To continue to improve overall school attendance.	
Attendance	• To reduce the number of students who are persistently absent.	
	Behaviour support for all students	
Priority 2 Behaviour	Behaviour management tracking system in order to identify triggers that undermine progress	
	Increase pastoral staff non-contact time to allow more proactive work.	
Priority 3	Increasing attendance at Breakfast Club amongst disadvantaged pupils	
Welfare	School counsellor	
	External providers supporting students with SEMH	
Barriers to learning these priorities address	• A higher percentage of PP students experience social, emotional and mental health issues (SEMH) which affects behaviour and attendance and therefore has a detrimental effect on progress	
	Low Aspiration	
	Challenging Family circumstances	
	Local Authority support	
Projected spending	£110,000 staffing £59,500 non-staffing	

Monitoring and implementation

Area	Challenge	Mitigating action
Teaching	Ensuring enough time is given over to allow for staff professional development	Use of INSET days and additional cover being provided by senior leaders
Targeted support	Ensuring that targeted pupils engage in the intervention process.	Increasing academic support through additional sessions. Pupil App.
Wider strategies	Engaging the families facing most challenges. Improving pupil engagement and minimising disruptive behaviours.	Working closely with the LA and other local schools on cross-school outreach programme. Pastoral CPD and QA. On-call system

Review: last year's aims and outcomes

The Year 11 cohort for PP was 42.5% compared to 28.3% nationally.

Outcome
Although there are signs that the school is improv- ing again, and at the lower threshold (Level 4+) we are very close to the national figure for boys. However, too few pupils achieved well in summer 2019 and as a result, the whole school exam per- formance at KS4 was poor in 2019, with a Progress 8 score of -0.97.
Progress in all of the Ebacc areas was significantly below national, with the gap in English perfor- mance being greatest, equivalent to almost 1.5 grades for each student.
The gap in performance of those students with high attainment from KS2 is most pronounced in English, with only 50% of that cohort achieving a level 5+ outcome compared to 68% in Maths.
Gaps in progress for students receiving SEN support were significantly smaller than for other students.
Vocational subjects overall fared better with Busi- ness studies, Drama, PE, Music and Food Technol- ogy all securing over 80% pass rates at level 2.
The percentage of students with at least 5 stand- ard passes including English and Maths is 46%. This is a 5% improvement on the 2018 figure and a 10% improvement on the 2017 figure. This is still significantly below the national figure for this measure, which was 59% in 2018.
16 students out of the cohort of 160 failed to ac- cess the full curriculum for a variety of reasons, ranging from non-attendance to those who we re- tained on role when they were at serious risk of permanent
Gaps remain small between different cohorts but that is because progress is low overall. Critically, high achieving pupils, particularly high achieving disadvantaged students perform poorly in terms of progress.
Pupil Teacher Ratio reduced from 19.9 to 16.7 Recruitment and Retention of staff has meant that all subjects are taught by subject specialists. Appointment of Literacy co-ordinator and specialist Librarian will lead to further work to close the literacy gaps.

	Accelerated Reader progress: Year 8 70.1% students increased Reading Age. Year 9 64.9% students increased Reading Age. Maths Mastery is yet to impact on KS4 results.
To continue to develop systems in school to support students with Behavioural, Social, Emotional and Communication issues.	 Increased staffing allowed more non-contact time for pastoral staff. Nurture provision; 10 students started. 6 students now in full time mainstream. 3 part accessing mainstream, 1 student has left.
	Alternative Provision was not successful and has been revised for 2019/2020. 76% of Fixed Term exclusions were for PP/SEND students.
Continuing to develop strategies that improve attendance rates.	 Whole School Attendance for this year was 93.2% compared to 92.0% in the previous year. PA students dropped from 142 (110 PP) in 2017/18 to 132 (101 PP) in 2018/19. Year 11 PA students dropped from 38 (28 PP) to 22(18 PP) over the past 2 years. Breakfast menu extended saw student numbers increase from 30 to 150.
To continue to implement strategies to promote Aspiration, Ambition and Parental Support.	Elevate programme used for Year 11 PP students, minimal impact, not renewed. 98% of Year 7 parents surveyed said their son had settled well in to Mosslands. STE@M has continued to develop with all students having completed at least one activity.