

Pupil Premium 2016-17

Pupil premium is paid to the school for all students who are in receipt of Free School Meals or who have been eligible for Free School Meals in the past 6 years. It is paid at rate of £935 per student; in 2016-17 Queen’s Croft High School has 50 eligible students so was paid £46,950 in Pupil Premium.

Service children are also eligible for payments but the school currently has no such students.

What is the money spent on?

The money is paid to schools because it is recognised by the government that children from socially deprived backgrounds face significant barriers to learning and achievement. We use the funding to try to lessen or eliminate these barriers to learning, increase access to the appropriate curricula and raise the attainment levels of all students.

An important principle underpinning the mission of Queen’s Croft High School is the notion that all children should be included in all educational activities where at all possible. With this in mind, children for whom the school is paid pupil premium are not asked to contribute for any school trips. This includes the residential trips that are open to all school years. Additionally, where possible, children who qualify for pupil premium are able to access the school’s annual ski trip at either reduced cost or no cost.

Resource	Approximate Spend	Impact Measure
Enhanced Teaching Assistant Support	£20,000	The provision of additional teaching assistant support in a number of classrooms has enabled students to work in smaller groups in lessons and consequently to make more effective and sustained progress. Additionally, resources have been targeted at certain groups with children who have more complex emotional, social or mental health difficulties. This has helped create a more effective, calm learning environment.

Enhanced Information and Communication Technology Provision	£7,500	Pupil Premium money has helped to improve the provision of ICT equipment this year, supporting particularly with the provision of an additional laptop trolley and a bank of iPads.
Themed Days	£800	Themed days have been used particularly with younger students and those with a higher level of need. They have helped to firmly embed a love of learning with a demonstrable impact on student outcomes as a result.
Anger Management	£800	Anger management sessions have been targeted at young people with particular difficulties that they struggle to express in a positive way. The sessions have reduced the number of behaviour incidents recorded for the children involved.
Attendance Monitoring	£4000	Key staff contact home daily if a child is absent from school and seek to remove any barriers that become apparent. This has a positive impact on children's attendance as parents and children know they will be contacted if there is a failure to attend.
Complex Needs Visits	£1000	Children in complex needs groups have a range of visits and activities organised specifically for them. This includes visits to Conkers, SNAP, swimming and a range of cafes locally.
Counselling	£1000	The school employs a trained counsellor to offer specific support to young people who are in need of expert interventions. This has greatly helped in supporting targeted young people to access the curriculum successfully.
Curriculum Trips	£2000	Trips out of school are a regular part of the curriculum at Queen's Croft. They include visits to the theatre, museums, parks and other places of interest. Those for whom the school is paid pupil premium are not asked to make a contribution.
Residential Visits	£4000	Residential trips are in place for every year group: Year 7 – Whitemoor Lakes Year 8 – Derbyshire Youth Hostel

		<p>Year 9 – Standon Bowers Year 10 – Year 11 – Northern France Post 16 – Ashbourne</p> <p>All these trips have a significant impact on the personal and emotional development of the young people who take part and offer an important opportunity to develop independence and life skills. Children for whom the school receives pupil premium do not pay for these trips.</p>
Ski Trip	£2000	Each year a number of students are partially or full funded through pupil premium to enable them to take part in the school ski trip. This offers great opportunities to develop their emotional, social and independence skills.
Breakfast	£300	Breakfast is offered to all students in high needs classes and to some with a clear need for it every morning. This helps students to be more focused for learning through the day.
Horse Riding	£500	A number of students, particularly those with a higher level of need, access weekly horse riding lessons. This is particularly beneficial for those who need a sensory approach to learning, but also offers the first steps to a career in this area for some young people.
School Clubs	£500	The school offers a range of clubs, particularly in Music, Sport and Art. Pupil premium money has supported this through buying equipment and contributing to the cost of outside coaches.
Circusology	£300	A circus performer spent the day in school working with all children on a range of specific circus skills. This was a great opportunity to develop new skills and confidence.
Outdoor Education	£6000	The school runs an outdoor education programme that includes cycling, climbing, skiing, canoeing and orienteering. This is offered to students at no cost to their parents.

Breakfast Café	£300	The breakfast café is open every day to give students who need to arrive early somewhere to congregate indoors. Some students take the opportunity to develop skills in making coffee and serving the public.
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Total Spend: £51,000