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Pupil Premium Policy

Purpose

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 peers by ensuring that funding to tackle disadvantage reaches the pupils who need it most. The school receives a Pupil Premium grant in addition to main school funding. The purpose of the grant is to help schools address current inequalities and to raise the attainment of children from disadvantaged families.

Accountability

The Government are not dictating how schools should spend the money, but are clear that they must employ strategies and interventions that they know will support pupils to reach their potential and raise attainment levels.

The Headteacher is accountable for the decisions they make through:

• the performance tables which show the performance of disadvantaged pupils compared with their peers;

• the new Ofsted inspection framework, under which inspectors focus on the attainment of pupil groups, in particular those who attract the Pupil Premium;

Funding

Morden Primary has been allocated \pounds 125,130 plus \pounds 1675 services premium and \pounds 2530 post LAC. This totals \pounds 12,9335.

Guiding principles for the allocation of resources at Morden Primary

 \cdot We ensure that teaching and learning opportunities meet the needs of **all** of the pupils.

• We therefore reserve the right to allocate Pupil Premium funding to support any pupil, or groups of pupils, the school has identified as being in need of intervention and support.

• Pupil Premium Funding will be allocated following an analysis which will identify priority classes, groups or individuals. This means that not all children receiving free school meals will be in receipt of pupil premium interventions at one time.