



**Melland
High School**
Bright Futures EDUCATIONAL TRUST



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Pupil Premium Grant

2020 - 2021

Pupil Premium Grant (PPG) is funding allocated to schools to enable them to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and diminish the difference between those in receipt of Pupil Premium and their peers.

The funding is allocated specifically for pupils from low-income families who eligible for free school meals (FSM), children looked after (CLA) and those from families with parents in the Armed Forces.

Each individual school decides how Pupil Premium is best spent to raise achievement and improve outcomes for identified pupils. Schools are however held accountable for how the funding is used and are expected to report to parents/carers and the Governing Body on Pupil Premium Grant expenditure.

Melland High School is keen to maintain the confidentiality of individual families' financial circumstances and therefore targets Pupil Premium sensitively; some activities will benefit all pupils whilst others are more individually delivered. The inclusion of pupils entitled to FSM and CLA is central to the ethos of the school. The Governing Body approves decisions on how Pupil Premium should be targeted to ensure efficient and effective outcomes for pupils eligible for FSM or CLA.

Melland High School works with all pupils at an individual level to maximise their progress. Pupil Premium funding allows us to carefully target our CLA/FSM population and ensure their holistic needs are addressed. We also recognise that pupil progress for our population, particularly CLA and pupils entitled to FSM, is linked to emotional health and wellbeing and resilience.

Careful analysis of the school's performance data indicates that attainment and progress for disadvantaged pupils is in line with that of their peers both locally and nationally.

Whole school and Pupil Premium initiatives are driven simultaneously, underpinned by relevant research and consultation. To this end the school has referenced the Education Endowment Foundation's (EEF) "Teaching & Learning Toolkit" in order to ascertain the most cost effective interventions which have impacted positively on pupil outcomes.

There are currently 128 pupils on roll at Key Stage 3 and 4 of these 73 pupils are in receipt of Pupil Premium Grant.

In the 2020 – 2021 financial year schools will receive the following funding for each pupil registered as eligible for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years:

£955 for eligible secondary age pupils

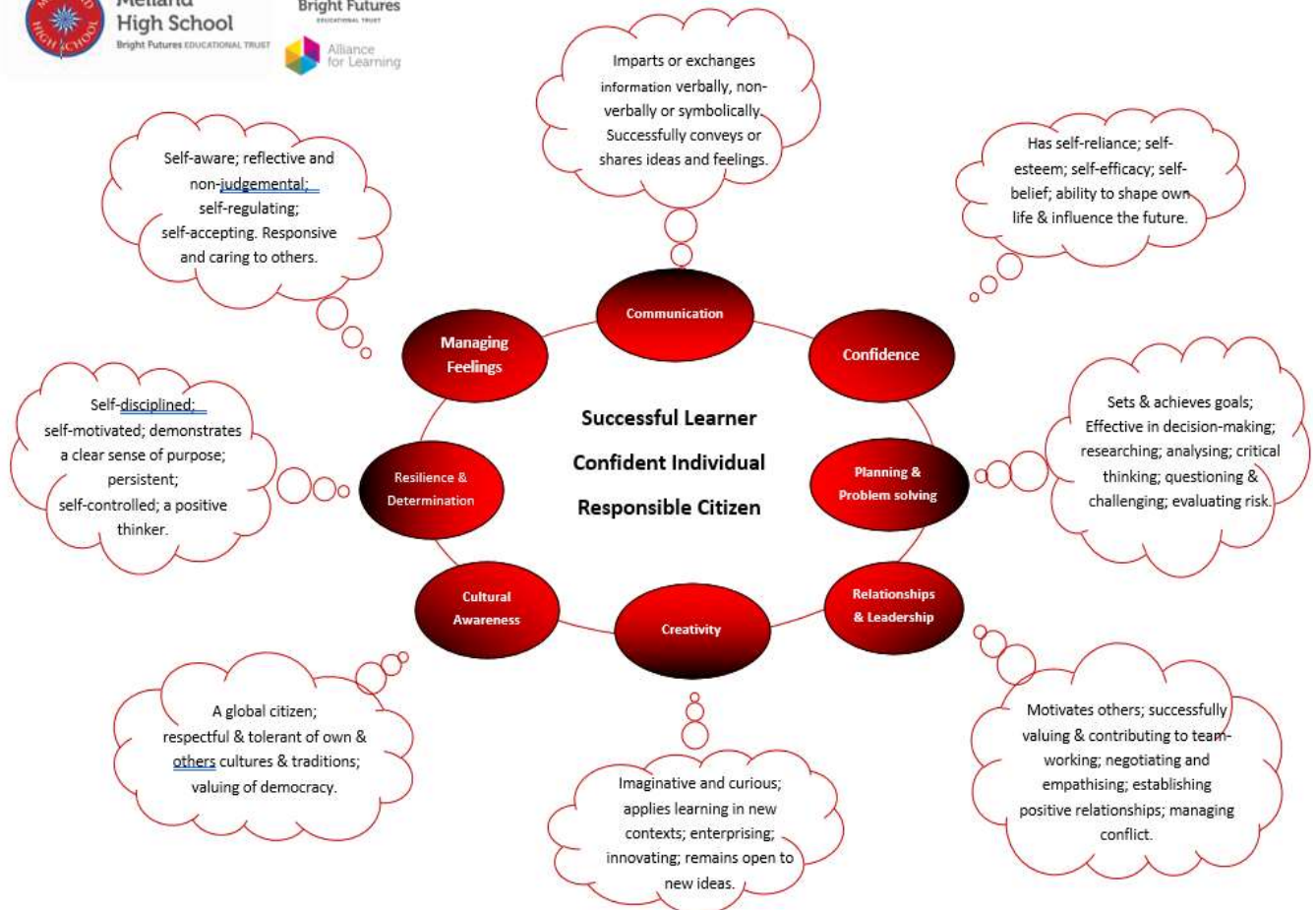
CLA pupils – see individual Personal Education Plans (PEP) for detailed income, spend and evaluation of impact

The impact of Pupil Premium is evaluated using a range of measures

In addition to traditional progress measures and resulting data, Melland High School has acknowledged the importance and challenge of providing quantitative evidence of the development of individual students' personal skills and qualities.

Through the use of Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural (SMSC) outcomes (see illustration below), Case Studies and Student Voice we are able to effectively capture and articulate the impact of the range of personal development outcomes listed below;

- Achieving in education
- Career success
- Being healthy
- Experiencing positive relationships
- Involvement in meaningful, enjoyable activities
- Personal outcomes such as happiness, increased self-esteem and confidence



The school received £69,715 Pupil Premium Grant (PPG). This amount enabled targeted support to be given to pupils in receipt of PPG via the activities and provision detailed below.

PPG has been used effectively to diminish any difference between PPG and non-PPG pupils as evidenced by appropriate data during the interim analysis and evaluation carried out in March 2021 and final evaluation of impact in July 2021 – see below.

Initiative 1

Continued provision of 1:1 support for 20 pupils in receipt of PPG with PCLD (Profound & Complex Learning Disability) and pupils requiring 1:1 behaviour support

Costings 3 X TA2s @ £48,000 in total

Details Evidence such as progress data analysis and individual case studies confirm the impact of 1:1 targeted support on PPG pupil outcomes; the EEF Toolkit notes that “evidence suggests that TAs can have a positive impact on ... achievement” and that “TAs can improve learning if they are trained and deployed carefully.” Pupils with PCLD and those in receipt of Positive Intervention Strategies continue to require individual TA support to provide a consistent, personalised approach for curriculum delivery, bespoke assessment and specific behaviour interventions.

Analysis of impact

- The specific steps have been tracked over time using MAPP (*Mapping and Assessing Personal Progress*) enabling the teacher to track each learning intention against acquisition or prompting, accuracy, maintenance (learning over time) and generalisation.

- Learning intentions have been tracked termly and judgements made based on evidence collected over time via the Evidence for Learning App.
- All PPG pupils with Personal Intervention Strategies (P.I.S) identifying the need for 1:1 support have demonstrated improved behaviour outcomes evidenced via a reduction in incidents recorded via SIMS; Behaviour Manager and highlighted within individual case studies & Annual Progress Reports 2021

Initiative 2

Extend the use of high and low technology for pupils in receipt of PPG in order to facilitate remote education.

- Inclusive technology equipment
- Boardmaker online
- Visual supports
- On-line learning environments e.g. Sumdog

Costings £19,750

Details The innovative use of media & technology continues to be an area of excellence at MHS and has been effectively extended to support remote education during the current COVID pandemic and beyond. Our aim is to provide and maintain inclusive technology to enhance learning for all pupils. There is evidence to suggest that the use of technology has the greatest impact when it is used to support and improve specific learning such as communication skills or writing - EEF Teaching & Learning Toolkit. The creative use of technology such as “Eye Gaze” and the “Evidence for Learning” App across the curriculum enables teachers to readily evidence and track progress, provide a personalised approach to learning at all levels and promote effective and meaningful progress and achievement.

Analysis of impact

- A demonstrable increase of pupils’ skills, knowledge, understanding and confidence in the use of communication technology across the curriculum, both in school and remotely, has been effectively evidenced through improved individual progress data, the achievement of appropriate National Accreditation, the Evidence for Learning App and individual case studies.

Initiative 3

Maintain the Zones of Regulation framework in order to effectively support pupils in managing their emotions and to promote pupil’s positive mental health and well-being.

Costings £1,500 to include mental health first aid training

Details Zones of Regulation is a curriculum framework to support pupils to gain skills in consciously regulating their behaviours, including the management of their emotions and level of alertness.

Analysis of impact

- A targeted group of pupils are able to demonstrate a greater understanding of their own emotional regulation evidenced by a reduction in behaviour incidents recorded via SIMS; Behaviour Manager
- A range of individual case studies reflecting pupils’ holistic development have been compiled across the key stages, including;
 - Career success
 - Being healthy
 - Experiencing positive relationship
 - Involvement in meaningful, enjoyable activities
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The current COVID 19 Pandemic and the resulting lockdowns and interventions have impacted on the outcomes of this initiative; therefore we will continue with this framework in 2021-2022.