

CFS Pupil Premium Strategy Statement

This statement details our school's use of Pupil Premium (and recovery premium for the 2023 to 2024 academic year) funding to help improve the attainment of our disadvantaged pupils.

It outlines our pupil premium strategy, how we intend to spend the funding in this academic year and the effect that last year's spending of pupil premium had within our school.

School overview

Detail	Data
School name	Chichester Free school
Number of pupils in school	1088
Proportion (%) of pupil premium eligible pupils	14%
Academic year/years that our current pupil premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	2024-2027
Date this statement was published	September 2024
Date on which it will be reviewed	September 2025
Statement authorised by	Mrs Louise New
Pupil premium lead	Mrs Cathryn Halton
Governor / Trustee lead	Mrs Claire Woodward

Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil premium funding allocation this academic year	£170,310
Recovery premium funding allocation this academic year	£0
Pupil premium funding carried forward from previous years (enter £0 if not applicable)	£0
Total budget for this academic year	£170,310
If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	

Part A: Pupil Premium strategy plan

Statement of intent

At CFS, it is our intention that all pupils, irrespective of their background or the challenges they face, make good progress and achieve high attainment across all subject areas. We provide a seamless education from ages four to 16. We aim to inspire curiosity and engage learners in common approaches throughout Primary and Secondary. Sharing practice across both phases is common place, and this approach allows us to reduce the negative effects often associated with transition. As a school we are now striving to be outstanding and to achieve above average outcomes in all phases. We have high expectations of all pupils throughout the Primary and Secondary phases. Our pupils are challenged to have uncompromising ambition in their academic endeavours. The school values of 'Nurture, Challenge and Inspire' underpin everything we do and permeate all areas of school life. Pupils receive a wide and varied curriculum and inspiring teaching alongside exceptional pastoral support, and a wide range of opportunities through our co-curricular offer, House System and Pupil Leadership programme.

The focus of our pupil premium strategy is to support disadvantaged pupils to achieve that goal, including progress for those who are already high attainers.

We will consider the challenges faced by vulnerable pupils, such as those who have a social worker and young carers. The activity we have outlined in this statement is also intended to support their needs, regardless of whether they are disadvantaged or not.

High-quality teaching is at the heart of our approach, with a focus on areas in which disadvantaged pupils require the most support. This is proven to have the greatest impact on closing the disadvantage attainment gap and at the same time will benefit the non-disadvantaged pupils in our school. Implicit in the intended outcomes detailed below, is the intention that non-disadvantaged pupils' attainment will be sustained and improved alongside progress for their disadvantaged peers.

Our strategy is also integral to wider school plans for education recovery, notably in its targeted support through the National Tutoring Programme for pupils whose education has been worst affected, including non-disadvantaged pupils.

Our approach will be responsive to common challenges and individual needs, rooted in robust diagnostic assessment, not assumptions about the impact of disadvantage. The approaches we have adopted complement each other to help pupils excel. To ensure they are effective we will:

- ensure disadvantaged pupils are challenged in the work that they're set
- act early to intervene at the point need is identified
- adopt a whole school approach in which all staff take responsibility for disadvantaged pupils' outcomes and raise expectations of what they can achieve

Challenges

This details the key challenges to achievement that we have identified among our disadvantaged pupils.

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	Internal assessments indicate that writing attainment among disadvantaged pupils in primary is below that of non-disadvantaged pupils, particularly in sentence structure and spelling.
2	Our observations and data show indicate that the education and wellbeing of many of our disadvantaged pupils have been impacted by partial school closures to a greater extent than for other pupils. These findings are supported by national studies.
	This has resulted in significant knowledge gaps leading to pupils falling further behind age-related expectations, especially in writing.
	There has also been an increase in mental Health issues for pupil's including self- harm and Emotional Based School Avoidance (EBSA)
3	Our assessments, observations and discussions with pupils and families have identified financial issues for many pupils, notably the increase in numbers of pupils entitled to Free School meals, the increased number of requests for financial support to cover, trips, enrichment activities, residentials, uniform, transport and equipment. It is noted that there are less disadvantaged pupils accessing trips, enrichment activities and residentials than no disadvantaged pupils.
4	Our attendance data over the last 3 years indicates that the overall attendance among disadvantaged pupils has been between 5 - 10% lower than for non-disadvantaged pupils. For 2023/2024 overall attendance figure was 93.29%, for disadvantaged pupils this was 88.15%
	34.6 % of disadvantaged pupils have been 'persistently absent' compared to 16.8 % of their peers during that period. Our assessments and observations indicate that absenteeism is negatively impacting the progress of disadvantaged pupils.
5	Our observations suggest many lower attaining disadvantaged pupils lack self-regulation strategies when faced with challenging tasks. This is indicated across the curriculum in both phases of the school. It is also noted in the significant number of sanction points that are accrued by disadvantaged pupils compared to those who are not disadvantaged.

Intended outcomes

This explains the outcomes we are aiming for **by the end of our current strategy plan**, and how we will measure whether they have been achieved.

Intended outcome	Success criteria
In Primary - Disadvantaged pupils maintain at least the standard of attainment they achieved at the end of the previous year for writing and previous key stage; those who have 'fallen behind' make accelerated progress and 'catch up' or exceed prior attainment standards. To ensure all pupils are given the opportunity to consolidate basic skills.	Assessments will indicate all disadvantaged pupils make expected progress (eg. Expected to expected or greater depth to greater depth) from previous year and from previous key stage results. Pupils will have regular/weekly opportunities to rehearse, practice and consolidate key skills in writing. LSAs and class teachers will support learning effectively – addressing misconceptions ASAP in preparation for lessons.
Improved writing attainment among disadvantaged pupils in KS1 and KS2.	KS2 writing outcomes in 2024/2025 will show that 65% of disadvantaged pupils met the expected standard in writing.
Improve the progress of disadvantaged pupils through high quality teaching and learning.	The quality assurance of lessons involving disadvantaged pupils will show a good standard of teaching and learning with no inadequate teaching. Higher expectations and aspirations of disadvantaged pupils will result in progress throughout the year. A highly effective curriculum will drive progress in disadvantaged pupils ensuring they develop the core knowledge and skills they need to be successful. Curriculum intent will be embedded across the school and includes transition points, particularly between Y6-Y7.
Ensure all PP pupils have a wide range of extra- curricular activities available to them to support progress and enrich their education and contextualise their learning.	Enrichment activities will result in better pupil wellbeing as well as developing key social skills and inclusion in the wider community. There will be an embedded PSHE/ careers/ enrichment programme on offer with the addition of university trips and Unifrog to support pupil to progress beyond Y11.
Pupils and families with identified social, emotional or health needs are well supported by school staff so that the needs are removed or alleviated.	Pastoral staff and SENCOs will identify and support families and children and work to alleviate barriers to learning. There will be the opportunity for pupils to attend different provisions on offer in school such as Breakfast club, counselling, pastoral support, Treehouse, Eagle Point and well-being interventions. depending on their need.
Improved self-regulatory skills among disadvantaged pupils across all subjects.	Teacher reports and class observations will suggest disadvantaged pupils are more able to monitor and regulate their own learning. This finding will be supported by a reduction in behaviour points rates across all classes and subjects.
To achieve and sustain improved attendance for all pupils, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.	Sustained high attendance from 2024/25 will be demonstrated by:

 the overall attendance rate for all pupils being at 96%, and the attendance gap between disadvan- taged pupils and their non-disadvantaged peers being reduced to below 5%.
the percentage of all pupils who are persistently absent being below 10% and the figure among disadvantaged pupils being no more than 10% lower than their peers.

Activity in this academic year

This details how we intend to spend our pupil premium **this academic year** to address the challenges listed above, please also refer to CFS Learning and Teaching Policy.

Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £60,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Enhancement of our teaching and curriculum planning across the school. Plan in a number of all-	To teach well, teachers need to assess pupils' prior knowledge and understanding effectively, plan and adapt lessons effectively to deliver lessons that meet the needs of all their learners.	1,2
through CPD sessions across the year along with phase and departmental CPD which	Snapshot form updated to reflect the focus for the year by October half term.	
outlines evidence-based practice.	Snapshots, book looks and learning walks provide opportunities to comment specifically on disadvantaged pupils.	
Provide support and coaching, when required, for teachers to develop their pedagogical knowledge.	Snapshot analysis available by the end of the autumn term.	
Continue to ensure consistency in monitoring practices at a senior and middle leadership level including the	Resource bank of scaffolding / stretch materials created and circulated by end of Temperance term (and then added to/refined throughout the year).	
rigorous monitoring of books at a senior leadership level. Establish key practices which are effective and monitor these through snapshots, book looks, planning scrutiny	Evidence from monitoring practices shows that adaptive teaching and 'Everyone Challenged' guiding principle is consistent by the end of the summer term	
and pupil progress meetings. Provide opportunities for teachers to share good practice.	Evidence-based practice shared with staff throughout the year in all-through CPD sessions as per the rhythm of the year.	

Provide training for LSAs and support staff along with CPD for teachers.		
Improve Primary writing attainment to be in line with national for disadvantaged learners.	Refer to the EEF guidance report which was updated in October 2021 about Improving Literacy and KS1 which can also be applied to older pupils who have fallen behind their peers.	1,2
Provide support, when required, for teachers to develop their pedagogical knowledge.	Providing children with a range of writing activities that support their development of skills, particularly in sentence structure and spelling.	
Ensure regular moderation opportunities. These will include snapshot fortnights and SLT book-looks and half-termly work/planning reviews conducted by subject leaders.	Understanding writing as an iterative process, developing understanding about how to improve their work, is key to developing as writers.	
Ensure consistency in monitoring by SLT working closely with middle leaders when conducting book looks, snapshots, moderation, etc.	Teachers looking for opportunities in texts they are reading, or topics the children are enjoying, often find highly engaging contexts, which can provide real purpose and audience for children's work. Providing children with genuine purpose and audience for their writing can be highly effective in terms of motivation to write.	
Ensure teachers model and share high quality writing (WAGOLL), evaluating and creating success criteria from this.		
Regular CPD sessions for all staff to share adaptive teaching strategies.		
Review of the writing processes with middle leadership to ensure that highest outcomes for disadvantaged pupils are achieved and pupils are writing for a purpose.		
Pupil progress meetings to target disadvantaged pupils in writing.		
Work with other schools within the trust to share best practice and to moderate work where possible.		

Targeted academic support (for example, tutoring, one-to-one support structured interventions)

Budgeted cost: £70,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
Engaging with adaptive teaching methods as well as pre and post teaching intervention group using LSAs, HLTAs and PIP teachers.	Tuition targeted at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one and in small groups.	1,2,
Adopt Twinkl as the new phonics scheme in primary from September 2024. To introduce bubble handwriting across Primary to develop handwriting skills, particularly for disadvantaged pupils. To continue the use of Accelerated reader with weekly rewards.	The teaching of phonics serves to strengthen the learning of both reading and writing and, inversely, reading and writing help to support the learning of phonics. Handwriting is also an essential component of writing. It draws on the integration of orthographic and motor skills.	1,2,
Targeted support for Y11 dis- advantaged pupils through a 1:1 mentoring programme	Targeted support at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one and in small groups	1,2
Targeted 1:1 and small group intervention across the school with a focus on disadvantaged pupils.	Targeted support at specific needs and knowledge gaps can be an effective method to support low attaining pupils or those falling behind, both one-to-one and in small groups	1,2
Inspiring STEM event so pupils can take part in interactive STEM activities with businesses from across Hampshire with disadvantaged pupils prioritised for this event,	Meet OFSTED targets. Meet the CDI Framework. Learn about different STEM careers and job roles. Develop their skills through taking part in different activities. Speak to employers about real jobs. Be involved in quizzes and competitions to win fantastic prizes. Develop their understanding of STEM careers.	1,2
Use ICT to support our disadvantaged pupils to access the curriculum, to support with writing as well as access to homework and ICT programs to support learning.	As teachers integrate technology into their lessons, they can use various technological tools to reach all types of pupils, including those from a disadvantaged background.	1,2
To use Tree house to support pupils to regulate and eventually self-regulate in order for	Self-regulation helps pupils to learn, behave well, get along with others and become independent.	5

them to access the learning in the classroom. Secondary pupils identified as needing more targeted sup-	Small groups are used to promote health, wellbeing and personal change by altering pupil's per-	2,5
port to self-regulate to access Eagle Point where a structure, small group tuition is used to support both the pupil's learning, behavior and self- regulation.	ceptions, beliefs, expectations and behavior patterns.	
Pupil's behavior, particularly those who are disadvantaged, to be monitored closely, sanctions recorded and relationships developed to lower the number of behavior points and sanctions received by pupil's who are disadvantaged.	Restorative approach offers schools an alternative way of thinking about addressing discipline and behavioral difficulties.	2,5
Pupil's engage with the Though-ful program where interventions are based on cognitive (managing difficult thoughts and the behaviours they lead to) or behavioural ideas (considering changes to behaviours that may keep the difficulty going e.g. avoidance or withdrawal) and can be delivered 1:1 or in groups.	Thought-ful are a Mental Health Support Team that works with schools to support all aspects of mental health and emotional wellbeing, These interventions rely on a collaborative, goalsbased approach. It is therefore important that the young person acknowledges they have a difficulty, and that they are motivated to talk about, and work on this.	2,4,5

Wider strategies (for example, related to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing)

Budgeted cost: £40,000

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
To continue to develop our 'Culture of Kindness' ethos by establishing kindness ambassadors across the school, embedding new initiatives such as 'one kind word,' developing 'what bullying is' description with the ambassadors to be shared across the school. The aim is to improve behaviour across school.	Both targeted interventions and universal approaches can have positive overall effects:	5
Use of ELSA and Therapeutic intervention officer to support mental health and wellbeing in school. A counsellor based in school will support with mental health and well-being with a	There is extensive evidence associating childhood social and emotional skills with improved outcomes at school and in later life (e.g., improved academic performance, attitudes, behaviour and relationships with peers).	5

focus on disadvantaged pu-		
pils.		
Raise attendance across the school for disadvantaged pupils. 2023-2024 overall school attendance was 93.29%, disadvantaged pupils were 88.15%.	There is extensive evidence to demonstrate a direct correlation between attendance and academic achievement.	4
Reduce persistent absentee- ism for disadvantaged pupils. 2023-2024 overall persistent absenteeism was 16.8%, for disadvantaged pupils this was 34.6%. Daily communication with parents when reporting an absence.		
Regular correspondence home reminding parents of what good attendance is.		
Half termly emails to parents who fall below the attendance targets.		
Home visits to support parents whose child is struggling to attend school.		
Weekly visits from Designated School's Team(DST) based in school.		
Ensure all PP pupils have a wide range of extra-curricular activities available to them to support progress and enrich their education and contextualise their learning.	Extensive research shows that a broad and balanced curriculum, especially for those children in lower socially mobile areas, is crucial, as a narrowed curriculum can restrict children's life choices and opportunities. A rich diet of learning experiences is undoubtedly the best way to develop well-rounded, happy individuals. It ensures children and young people can not only benefit from a wide range of material, but helps to develop them into well-rounded individ-	2,3
Pupils with identified financial needs are supported by school staff so that the needs are removed or alleviated e.g. Uniform, FSM and other items are purchased for our disadvantaged, vulnerable families	uals. Evidence shows that disadvantaged children generally face additional challenges in reaching their potential at school and often do not perform as well as other pupils.	3

who are in need and finan- cially struggling.		
Contingency fund for acute issues.	Based on our experiences and those of similar schools to ours, we have identified a need to set a small amount of funding aside to respond quickly to needs that have not yet been identified.	3
To provide a Free school Meal to all pupils that are eligible.	Evidence shows the importance of providing a meal to pupils who are entitled to FSM as this may be the only meal they receive each day.	3

Total budgeted cost: £ 170,000

Part B: Review of outcomes in the previous academic year

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Year 4 3/5 (60%) Year 5 3/7 (42.9%) Y6 PP Expected GD (5 pupils) GD	KSI dila KSZ.						structure and spelling.
Year 5 3/7 (42.9%) Y6 PP		Year 3	5/1	0 (50%)			
Y6 PP Expected GD (5 pupils) Standard		Year 4	3/5	(60%)			
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Improved Maths					Maths data has im-
attainment					proved for disadvan- taged pupils in Maths
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taged pupils.	Year 1 4	/8 (50%)			
	Year 2 2	/5 (40%)			
	Year 3 9	/10 (90%			
	Year 4 3	/5 (60%			
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	(7	'1.4%)			
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	PP	Expected standard	GD		
	(5 pupils)				
	Maths	60%	20%		
Improve the pro-	As above				The gap between dis-
gress of disadvan-	As above				advantaged pupils and
taged pupils					non-disadvantaged pu-
through high					pils is closing. Key year
quality teaching					groups to focus on will be Y10 (Y11
and learning.					2024/2025) and Year3.
Improved meta-	-		n response to man		Treehouse and Eagle
cognitive and		-	used effectively for		Point have been very
self-regulatory			e. Pupils are having the space for short		successful. Pupils are engaging more in les-
skills among dis-			s to learn. LSA che	•	sons and learning. Ea-
advantaged pu-			spend significant a		gle Point had a large
pils across all subjects.	time out of class				Y11 focus due to the
jects.	-	_	out of the class is e		needs of those pupils
		J	and pupils are the		and the provision needs to focus on iden-
		•	ing to use a separa support with our	•	tified pupils across
			int. Eagle point ha	•	years 7-11
	-		ey find this a supp	ortive envi-	
		able to focus on	their learning.		There has been a re-
	2021/2022				duction in sanctions
	(Sanctions) 3185	/119 pupils 26.8 p	oer pupil DA		given for DA pupils but this needs to reduce
	(14247/1038 pu	oils 13.7 per pupil	Overall		further.
	2022/2023				Exclusion rate for dis-
	(Sanctions) 2920	ر 24.3 pupils (120 pupils إ	oer pupil DA		advantaged pupils is
	14313/1030 pup	ils 13.9 per pupil	overall		much higher when
	2023/2024				compared to their
	Sanctions) 3506/	139 pupils 25.2 p	er pupil DA		peers and this needs to be a focus for the next
	17156/1061 pup	ils 16.2 per pupil	overall		academic year.
	Exclusion rate 20	022-2023			

25.8% DA 7.3 % All		Exclusion rate for dis- advantaged pupils is much higher than for
Exclusion ra 30.2% DA	rte 2023-2024	non-disadvantaged pu- pils.
9.6 % All		Total Cost £87,200

Targeted support		
Desired outcome	Impact	Evaluation
Engaging with the National Tutoring Programme to provide a blend of tuition, mentoring and school-led tutoring for pupils whose education has been most impacted by the pandemic. A significant proportion of the pupils who receive tutoring will be disadvantaged, including those who are high attainers.	In primary Our school progress scores have increased significantly since 2022 and have improved or are in line with the last official data release in 2019. In secondary GCSE results (unconfirmed data) P8 score for disadvantaged pupils was -0.74 compared to overall at -0.9, national -0.55	Writing is still below what we would like to see across all cohorts. This will be an area of focus and CPD will be delivered to support teachers facilitating the needs of DA pupils. There is still a gap between performance of all pupils compared to DA which further work need to be completed.
Targeted support for Y11 disadvantaged pupils through a 1:1 mentoring programme	The mentoring provided a supportive platform so that all pupils were able to sit almost all the GCSE exams. Evidence gathered to support pupils who were unable to sit any GCSE exams or were exempt. This helped to eliminate many of the ghosts.	This targeted mentoring support was effective and needs to continue with a continued focus on disadvantaged pupils as this is still the sub group with the highest absence rate.
Targeted 1:1 and small group intervention across the school with a focus on disadvantaged pupils.	Disadvantaged gap at GCSE is greater than the national, currently -0.76 compared to national of -0.55 Progress 8 for our DA pupils is also still below that of their peers and the gap still needs to close.	Targeted interventions for other year groups with a focus on DA pupils.
Inspiring STEM event so pupils can take part in interactive STEM activities with businesses from across Hampshire with disadvantaged pupils prioritised for this event,	Feedback from the day was very positive, allowing our DA pupils to participate in STEM activities specifically targeted at this group of learners. The pupils found this experience beneficial and hopefully this will continue each year in order to inspire our DA pupils in STEM. It was time consuming reaching out to parents to gain consent for the pupils to attend.	This was a beneficial experience for our DA pupils. Next steps would be to see how this can be developed in school and locally.
Ensure all PP pupils have a wide range of extra- curricular activities avail- able to them to support progress and enrich	Tracking system in place to ensure all pupils recorded for trips and enrichment activities to target disadvantaged pupils to ensure they have equal opportunities to access these.	Disadvantaged pupils were prioritised for trips and enrichment activities and considerable time spent reaching out to these families to

their education and contextualise their learning.		ensure there is not a financial implication to them not attending.
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		Total Cost £70,374
Other approaches		
Desired outcome	Impact	Evaluation
To continue to develop our 'Culture of Kindness' ethos by establishing kindness ambassadors across the school, embedding new initiatives such as 'one kind word,' developing 'what bullying is' description with the ambassadors to be shared across the school. The aim is to improve behavior across school.	2023/2024 (House points) 45119/ 139 pupils 324 per pupil DA 303070/ 922 pupils, 328 per pupil overall. (Sanctions) 14064/139 pupils 101 per pupil DA 47605/922 pupils 51.6 per pupil for non- disadvantaged pupils	This initiative has been effective in decreasing the number of sanctions and exclusions overall but further work needs to be done on rewarding our DA pupils to hopefully in turn reduce the number of sanctions for these pupils. There is little difference in the number of house points between disadvantaged pupils and non-disadvantaged pupils. For sanctions Disadvantaged pupils are receiving almost double the number of sanction points compared to non-disadvantaged pupils. This will need to be a focus next academic year.
Use of ELSA and Therapeutic intervention officer to support mental health and well-being in school. A counsellor based in school will support with mental health and well-being.	16% of pupils seen by our ELSA are disadvantaged pupils. Sessions run are 1:1 and small group covering a variety of themes. Bereavement has had a big impact which has led to the development of growing hope garden. There has been an increase in demand for counselling places with this offer being increased from 1 day a week to 2 days a week. DA pupils are prioritised and help with funding for places for DA pupils is in place.	ELSA support has had a positive impact in our primary phase, including 1:1 sessions for pupils with specific issues such as bereavement, change in home circumstances, friendship issues, social care involvement and included group work for nurture, lunch group, zones group, growing hope group. Counseling has been very effective with the demand doubling and funding from PP is used to pay for DA pupils to access this.

Attendance action project to raise attendance across the school for disadvantaged pupils. Identified member of staff that feeds back to staff about attendance, supports initiatives across the school as well as working with disadvantaged pupils of concern.

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CFS YTD	CFS PA National Average		National PA
93.29	92.7	16.8	20.7
94.77	94.5	10.1	15.2
92.03	90.9	22.4	26.7
93.97	92.9	14.6	22.2
92.59	92.7	18.9	22.8
88.15	N/A	34.6	N/A

Ĭ	In the academic year 2023/2024					
	Group	CFS	National			
Į	Eligible for FSM	88.07	88.9			

Our focus last year was on increasing the attendance of our disadvantaged pupils, particularly those who were persistently absent and we have made a significant improvement. Whilst our disadvantaged pupils are still a concern there has been an improvement of 6.8% for persistent absenteeism for this group in the last academic year. This remains a focus on the ADP.

The disadvantaged pupils that are affecting the attendance figures are those with SEN that are awaiting assessment, those with a medical need such as a diagnosed eating disorder and those where there are concerns around child protection which we are aware of and work with the LA to address.

The LA have been pleased with attendance at CFS and asked to meet with LNW and CHN to gain a better understanding of why attendance is better at CFS than other local schools and asked for follow-up case studies.

When looking at vulnerable groups such as those entitled to FSM, have an EHCP and those on SEN support we are in line or better with attendance compared to national.

Pupils with identified financial needs are supported by school staff so that the needs are removed or alleviated e.g. Uniform, FSM and other items are purchased for our disadvantaged, vulnerable families who are in need and financially struggling.

A number of pupils were given financial support towards trips, music lessons, enrichment activities and uniform.

FSM set up in canteen to allow pupils a set amount each day. Vouchers for FSM pupils emailed during the holidays. Links with Chichester Food Bank have allowed staff to issue foodbank vouchers for identified families needing further support.

Money needs to be continued to be set aside for disadvantaged pupils to access a range of activities and equipment so they are not disadvantaged further.

Contingency fund for acute issues.	More parents of DA pupils are making contact with the school to help support with the cost of uniform, trips, DT/Food tech resources.	Money needs to be continued to be set aside for disadvantaged pupils to access this fund for a range of reasons.
Free School Meal allow- ance – catering costs	All pupils eligible for FSM receive a meal	
		Total Cost £29,202