New Bridge Nursery Pupil Premium Strategy 2023-2024

As a nursery school we are unsure of the numbers of children eligible for pupil premium each year and are therefore unable to make any firm financial commitments. We continually review our strategy throughout the year as new children join us each term (and are identified as eligible for Pupil Premium funding). EEF research suggests an earlier starting age can add 6 months' additional progress where children have been in receipt of high quality early education.

Main Barriers to Learning	How Pupil Premium will be spent	How we will measure the Impact?
Readiness for Nursery- many children need support to develop active learning and independence skills when starting nursery. Poor self-regulation skills amongst	Additional staff support in the rooms especially at the beginning of term to help children settle and to provide additional support to children when separating from their carer.	Use the Leuven scale of wellbeing and involvement to measure children's wellbeing. Observe that children settle quickly into nursery and are ready to learn.
children that impede their ability to access the curriculum- Good self-regulation skills are linked to successful learning and problem solving. Research shows improving self-regulation skills within young children can lead to an additional 7 months' progress in the curriculum.	Individual support is given using bespoke specialist EYP to extend and scaffold children's social and emotional skills as well as specific gaps in their learning. Supporting children to regulate their emotions and behaviours as well as making choices in their learning.	Children move to 'on track' and remain there throughout the year. Data continues to show the children eligible for EYPP who had moved through the nursery have made significant progress and the gap between them and the rest of the new cohort will reduce.
Limited experiences e.g. looking after a pet, baking, gardening, visits to external places. This has been further impacted due to Covid.	Money will be used to provide resources to enable children to experience these activities e.g. plants, soil, baking ingredients, pet food etc.	Engagement in the breadth of curriculum on offer is high. Children enjoy and talk about their experiences (evidenced on Tapestry and through our weekly curriculum catch up).

	Using outside providers to enhance our curriculum and provide children with more awe and wonder opportunities e.g. living eggs, butterflies, farms2ewe and USports etc. Money will be spent to facilitate the learning opportunities and experiences outlined in the REYS charter to provide breadth of curriculum.	
Significant numbers of pupils have difficulties with speech and language and this has an impact upon progress across the curriculum.	EEF research shows an average 6-month additional progress when used programmes are used effectively, and we would aim for children to make accelerated progress in speaking and listening from their starting points. We have and will continue use money to train staff in Talk boost and Hello project as well as in Makaton sign language. which have been and will continue to be cascaded to team members. This year we will be training team members in the Tales Toolkit project. We also have a specialist learning mentor to support the children.	Measure the progress of children's language against children's learning Intentions and next steps for learning and ensure they are on track to meet the end points in Communication and language. against baseline data and the rest of the cohort.
A small group of families receive external support from Early help, social worker etc. to deal with situations that can impact upon attendance, learning, behaviour and welfare of pupils.	To fund additional sessions and staff member time to attend relevant meetings and appointments to support parents and model positive parenting strategies. Partly fund a Family Worker to run support workshops and support families as needed.	More coherent approach to External support. Coordinated approach to attending meetings and supporting children and families.

Children living in home environments that have been financially impacted by Covid (i.e. losing income due to Covid). Latterly the cost of living crisis as a result of Covid. Children may have been living in an environment with emotional stress and trauma.	We work in partnership with the Children's Centre and Weller centre to provide families with additional support where needed.	
Supporting parents and their children to access all areas of learning - research (EPPSE) suggests the importance of the home learning environment is the most significant indicator of a child's successful outcomes throughout their school life.	We use Tapestry to engage parents by suggesting a home learning extension/embedding activity for each observation. Providing a weekly curriculum catch up to enable parents to support their children's learning at home. We engage parents through daily contact and regular focus meetings. Recording focus stories on to tapestry to model good practice, upskill parents and increase their confidence when teaching their children.	Improved long term outcomes for children, good progress in areas addressed. Parents to feel empowered to support their child's learning.

This strategy will be reviewed throughout the year but annually with Governors. Date of next review: Sept 2024