

Pupil Premium Impact Statement 2019-20

Shortly before completing our mid-year review of pupil premium expenditure in March 2020, many schools in England were affected by the coronavirus pandemic. Throughout the period of closure, Broadstone Middle School continued to provide care and support for the children of key workers and our most vulnerable pupils. This included pupil premium students.

We know from research that disadvantaged pupils' learning is likely to be adversely affected by school closure and Broadstone Middle have worked hard to mitigate this. During Lockdown, we provided weekly home learning activities, both online and in paper-based format and a wide range of resources for all pupils including wellbeing/sensory kits. We are aware that internet access has been problematic for some families and have endeavoured to provide support where this is the case, e.g. delivery of laptops/learning packs to pupils' addresses. We also contacted every family weekly and for our most vulnerable families, this included many door-step visits. Staff went above and beyond to support families, this included for some families: delivering FSM vouchers and food care packages, socially-distanced doorstep visits and working with additional services such as social care, health teams and education welfare to ensure that families were (and continue to be) supported.

Our top priority on return to school this September has been to focus on the social and emotional needs of our students and to ensure that any anxiety about returning to school is minimised. To address this, we have introduced a 'Reconnect and Recovery' curriculum, part of which focuses on identifying any learning gaps which have come about during the lockdown period, particularly so for disadvantaged children.

Our pupil premium strategy is a three-year strategy and as such we have picked up on the actions from September 2020 in order to continue to reduce the gap between our disadvantaged students and the rest of their cohort and ensure that this vulnerable group make and exceed expected progress.

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