

Pupil Premium Report 2019/20

All schools receive a Pupil Premium Grant (PPG) to support the education of disadvantaged students. The purpose of the Pupil Premium Grant is to close the achievement gap (attainment and progress) between students from low-income families and their peers by ensuring that this funding reaches the students who need it most. Schools have the freedom to spend this funding as they see fit based upon their knowledge of pupil needs.

We are proud of the impact our use of this grant has made in supporting our disadvantaged students, and in closing the gap between PPG-eligible students and their peers.

Pupil Premium Grant Impact for Previous Academic Year (2018/19)

Rainham Mark Grammar School: Summary Information			
Academic Year	2018/19	Total PPG allocation	£96,630
Total number of Pupils (KS3 & 4)	1,082	Number of pupils eligible for PPG	96

The **£96,630** allocated to the school was used to help raise achievement of our most disadvantaged pupils. Careful thought is given to how the school uses this funding to ensure the maximum positive impact on pupil attainment.

The school is guided by evidence gathered by The Sutton Trust at Durham University on the most effective strategies to improve learning for disadvantaged pupils, as well as through sharing ideas and good practice with other schools; both within the Rainham Mark Education Trust, and throughout the country at The Pupil Premium Conference.

We monitor the progress of PPG-eligible students every term, and hold regular PPG meetings so all staff are able to share ideas on how the fund can be used to support our students.

The Pupil Premium Grant was spent on the following:

- Educational Visits – PPG funding provided financial support to enable students to attend educational visits they may have otherwise been unable to experience.
- “The RMGS Cultural Passport” – To enhance the Cultural Capital of PPG-eligible students and their families, the school introduced the Cultural Passport, providing £50 per student towards the entry costs of museums, galleries, zoos & other cultural attractions.
- “The Rainham Mark Achievement Voucher” was used to support specific Year 11 PPG students including purchasing a desk to create an appropriate working space at home.
- Homework Club and Equipment – The school continues to allocate PPG funding to Homework Club, an after-school club run by our LSAs. In addition, in order to ensure all students have access to the internet and computers, over £7400 of PPG funding was used to buy laptops and a printer for Homework Club.
- Supporting Attendance with Uniform Provision – Through PPG funding we have provided support to students with uniform and P.E kit costs.
- Extra-Curricular Opportunities – We have provided funding towards various clubs and workshops, including a GCSE Steel Drum workshop, in-school drama performances, and support for PPG-eligible students completing their Duke of Edinburgh awards.
- Easter Revision for GCSE and A Level – As with previous years, PPG funding was allocated to the provision of revision workshops to help pupils revise for forthcoming public exams.
- The “Willoughby Book Club” – continued from the previous year, to support PPG students with their literacy, and encourage a passion for reading.
- Musical instrument lessons- Some PPG funding was used to support PPG-eligible students wishing to learn a musical instrument and help develop their talent.

Pupil Premium Grant Impact for Year 11 Students 2018/19

Year 11 Attainment 2018/19		
	PPG-Eligible Students	Non PPG-Eligible Students
Number of Pupils	21	187
Percentage	10.1%	89.9%
Progress 8 Score	0.54	0.37
Attainment 8 Score	6.58	6.57
5 A*-C inc strong pass. E & M	100%	97.28%
Achieving A*/A grades	44%	48.08%

The school has continued to demonstrate excellent results with our PPG Provision, and in bridging the gap between our PPG-eligible students and their peers, including 100% of PPG-eligible students achieving strong passes in English and Maths.

The positive Progress 8 value means our PPG-Eligible students made above the expected progress from Key Stage 2 when compared nationally. In fact, PPG-eligible students on average achieved over half a grade higher than their predicted grades.

The Attainment 8 value shows our PPG-eligible students achieved very good results across their strongest eight GCSE subjects, achieving an average score of over 6. (The equivalent of a strong "legacy grade" B).

Pupil Premium Grant Strategy for 2019/20

Rainham Mark Grammar School: Summary Information			
Academic Year	2019/20	Total PPG allocation	£90,720
Total number of Pupils (KS3 & 4)	1,113	Number of pupils eligible for PPG	92

Recognised 'Barriers to Learning' for PPG-eligible Students:

- The costs of uniform, school equipment, and revision guides.
- Parental aspirations and 'cultural capital deficit'. E.g. PPG-eligible students may not have visited museums or galleries before due to the expense.
- Inconsistent awareness about what PPG is and how it can support PPG-eligible families.
- 'Transition' PPG students struggling with the demands of secondary school in Year 7.

For the academic year 2019/20, we estimate Rainham Mark Grammar School will receive **£90,720** from the Pupil Premium Grant. Our intention is to continue with our established programme of effective strategies; including "The Cultural Passport", homework club, Easter revision sessions, musical instrument lessons, funding for educational visits, and our support for uniforms and school equipment.

New proposals for academic year 2019/20 include:

- "The Franklin Scholars". A yearlong scheme where Year 10 students are trained to be academic and personal mentors, delivering regular sessions to "at risk" Year 7 students.
- Improve awareness of students and parents about PPG using letters, literature, and presentations at School events.