

Pupil Premium Strategy Statement

This statement details our school's use of Pupil Premium funding to help improve the attainment of our disadvantaged pupils.

The statement 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	Trinity Academy Grammar
Number of pupils in school	979
Proportion (%) of Pupil Premium eligible pupils	56% (547/979)
Academic year/years that our current Pupil Premium strategy plan covers (3 year plans are recommended)	AY 2024-25 AY 2025-26 AY 2026-27
Date this statement was published	November 2025
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Funding overview

Detail	Amount
Pupil Premium funding allocation this academic year	£ 564,000
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 If your school is an academy in a trust that pools this funding, state the amount available to your school this academic year	£ 564,000

Part A: Pupil Premium Strategy Plan

Statement of intent

What is Pupil Premium funding for?

The Pupil Premium funding we receive is for raising the attainment of pupil premium students. Our PP strategies have been targeted at closing the attainment gap which opened as a result of time out of school during the pandemic. We aim to close the gap in attainment between PP and N-PP students during this academic year.

What is our Academy approach to the use of the Pupil Premium?

No one intervention provides a complete solution to the complex educational issues in any school and therefore, we believe that a multi-faceted approach offers the best opportunity for our students to improve.

The Ofsted report entitled 'The pupil premium: what Ofsted looks at', states that 'successful schools do not treat pupils eligible for the pupil premium as one homogeneous group'. Each of our pupil premium students faces varying degrees of academic and pastoral challenge. Our aim is to understand these potential barriers to learning and to enable students from less advantaged backgrounds to achieve as well as all students, by benefitting from:

- a broad and rich curriculum that develops personal and social skills, confidence in learning and cultural capital,
- pedagogy that effectively promotes motivation, high aspiration and accelerated learning for all,
- regular whole school data entry points that allow progress to be tracked over time,
- a 'team around the child' approach to pastoral and academic tracking and care for our pupil premium students which expects high levels of parental engagement which we pursue relentlessly,
- Explicit support for more able disadvantaged pupils, particularly during years 7 and 8 as 'this is an area that many schools tend to forget' (Effective pupil premium reviews. A guide developed by the Teaching Schools Council),
- integration and supported involvement in activities with their peers,
- interventions to close the gap in achievement and address barriers to learning and progress,
- access to funding for those suffering hardship to meet costs for access to enrichment opportunities

What is the duration of the strategies outlined in the following policy?

At Trinity Academy Grammar, we adopt long term pupil premium strategies to tackle the challenges that are entrenched in our local communities and will likely take a generation to overcome. The majority of strategies outlined are multi-year strategies, but efficacy will be reviewed at the end of each academic year to ensure the strategies are refined, adapted or removed to best meet the needs of our cohort

Challenges

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

Challenge number	Detail of challenge
1	<p>Reading tests indicate that 47.5% of students in years 7-10 (Y7 56%, Y8 45%, Y9 48%, Y10 40%) have a reading age below their chronological age, and 59% of this cohort are identified as PP.</p> <p>7% of students (11% in Y7, 5% in Y8, 7% in Y9 and 4% in Y10) are working significantly below the norms of their age range e.g. Phonics blending in KS3 and KS4. 69% of this cohort are identified as PP. This contributes to underperformance at GCSE as students struggle to access the demands of GCSE examinations.</p>
2	<p>Student movement is an academic barrier because many have a significant gap due to relocation leading to time on a waiting list to start at a different school. Students then often return to TAG at a later stage within the school year or phase. During the 2023-24 academic year there were 106 school leavers and 80 school joiners. Of those that joined 34 were identified as PP. The lost learning time from students leaving one school and joining roll at another leads to underperformance at GCSE as students struggle to recall and understand the knowledge required at GCSE.</p>
3	<p>Reasonable adjustments are made for students whose primary need is SEMH. However, we still face challenges to help these students regulate and improve their challenging behaviour. We offer a comprehensive package of support for our SEMH cohort which is ever changing based on individual student need. For example, one-to-one interventions with wellbeing teams. 29 students currently have a primary need of SEMH and 18 students, 62%, are PP.</p>
4	<p>Attendance represents a barrier to progress:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TASB PP Absence (2020-21): 16.3% • TAG PP Absence (2021-22): 10.2% • TAG PP Absence (2022-23): 14% • TAG PP Absence (2023-24): 11.9% <p>We know this is directly correlated to success at the end of Y11.</p>
5	<p>The behaviour of a minority of students, both pupil premium and non-pupil premium students, is a focus for pastoral and academic staff. Poor behaviour can lead to disengagement and ultimately less successful outcomes at GCSE. In AY2023-24 505 students received one or more day in inclusion (266, 53%, were PP) and 142 students received one or more suspensions (85 students, 60%, were PP). Inclusions and suspensions are reflective of the percentage of PP students in school but are slightly above national average so there is still work to be done to ensure no learning time is lost.</p>
6	<p>75% of PP students at TAG come from the most deprived areas in England (<i>Lowest 30% as per IDACI data</i>). Students have less resilience, and often lower academic aspirations, than their peers so require additional support in becoming independent learners.</p>
7	<p>Increasing opportunities and broadening pupils' experiences remains a priority for our pupil premium students who have not had the opportunity to take theatre trips, travel within the UK and to read extensively for pleasure.</p>

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.

Challenge	Intended outcome	Success criteria
1 and 2	To develop the next generation of teachers and leaders and improve the quality of T&L so students experience a greater frequency of outstanding teaching over time in all subject areas. This will ensure all students (including disadvantaged students) can meet or exceed their end of KS4 targets as they receive quality first teaching every day.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 95% of staff to be consistently strong teachers. • All ECT to remain at TAG following completion (unless there are external factors) • 95+ % positive staff voice about CPD.
1 and 2	Ensure pupils are effective communicators when speaking and writing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 95% of staff regularly model good oracy. • At least 80% of students can effectively display the 4P's when communicating • At least 80% of reviewed books show students demonstrating resilience in writing appropriate to their age range.
1	Increased engagement with reading and improvement in reading ages, including for those with very low reading ages.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No in school gap between PP and N-PP Reading Ages and these are improving over time.
3	Academic, social and emotional learning interventions for students identified as SEMH on the SEND register to enable them to self-regulate their behaviour.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The trend in behaviour shows there are fewer additional needs students repeatedly in inclusion.
4	Improved attendance for Disadvantaged/EAL students.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No in-school gap between PP and N-PP attendance. • Attendance is at or above NA. • PA is better than NA for PP students.
5	Improved engagement in education for students whose behaviour can be a barrier.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No in school gap in behaviour incidents between PP and N-PP students. • Suspension in line or below NA. • PEx in line or below NA.
6	Equal curriculum opportunities for all students through a comprehensive information, advice and guidance (IAG) process.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 95% of students are happy with their option choices.

6	Disadvantaged students do not fall behind their peers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 95% homework completion rates for PP students. • No in school gap in attainment between PP and N-PP students.
6	A high quality, smooth transition process.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All information needed to support SEND and vulnerable students is acquired prior to summer holidays.
6 and 7	Raise the aspirations of students so more go on to study at an appropriate level.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 65% of students go on to study L3 courses post-16, of which 35% are A Level courses. • At least 85% of students show respect through use of 'track'.
7	Broaden the experiences of students through extra-curricular programs and trips.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 75% of parents engage in PCE. • At least 54% of students invited on trips, involved in sports day are identified as PP. • PP students have at least 85% attendance to involve.

Activity in this academic year

This details how we intend to spend our pupil premium (and recovery premium funding) **this academic year** to address the challenges listed above.

Teaching (for example, CPD, recruitment and retention)

Budgeted cost: £ 252,640

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
<p>Quality opportunities for CPD and QA of all staff. To include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality time, and money, set aside for CPD for all staff. The focus of CPD throughout the years will be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Reading ◦ Mechanisms of Learning ◦ Positive Behaviour Leadership ◦ Resilience in spoken and written communication ◦ Response to data collection • Curriculum CPD time for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Subject pedagogy ◦ Subject knowledge ◦ Marking and moderation ◦ Response to QA • Rigorous but supportive QA processes. • Bespoke CPD for identified groups e.g. MLs, SLT, ECT, TF, New Academy Staff 	<p>“Teachers make a difference. No matter the phase or school setting, it is the quality of teaching that can make the biggest difference to children’s learning and to their ultimate success in school. As Rauch and Coe explain, it is ‘arguably the single most important thing that teachers and school leaders can focus on to make a difference in children’s learning’. What’s more, the quality of teaching is not fixed: teachers can be improved, and they can be improved via effective professional development. Ensuring that teachers are provided with high quality PD is therefore crucial in improving pupil outcomes.” – EEF Effective Professional Development Guidance Report</p>	1, 2, 3, 5 and 6
<p>Equip staff with the skills they need to identify and support students at risk of falling behind their peers through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of data entry processes • Paired data entry to ensure practical changes in classrooms to address emerging needs throughout the year. • Embedding the Curriculum Review processes. • Embedding the KS4 RAP process. 	<p>“Feedback should be a ‘recipe for future action’. It is crucial that pupils are given the time and opportunity to use the feedback given to move learning forward.”</p> <p>“Using feedback to inform future teaching and learning may not only be confined to a teacher’s current class. Indeed, all teachers interviewed in the review of practice explained that they use the feedback they provide to inform how they teach the topic next year. By identifying the feedback they regularly need to give, this informs them of the learning gaps and misconceptions that often arise.” – EEF Teacher Feedback to Improve Pupil Learning – Guidance Report</p>	1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7

<p>Ensure pupils understand and display the social norms during oral and written communication through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All students are trained on 'track me'. • Effective training on the 4P's. • Bespoke CPD, by curriculum area, to develop writing. • Termly grammar focus. 	<p>"There is evidence to suggest that pupils from lower socioeconomic backgrounds are more likely to be behind their more advantaged counterparts in developing early language and speech skills, which may affect their school experience and learning later in their school lives." – EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit – Oral Language interventions</p>	<p>1, 6 and 7</p>
<p>Ensure all pupils are provided with frequent opportunities to develop their lexicon and reading ability through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All staff trained on how to deliver high-quality literacy support so that everybody is a literacy role model. This includes training selected staff in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Phonics ○ Comprehension ○ Inference • Daily repetition of Tier 2 and Tier 3 vocabulary for all students with a view to expanding their lexicon. • Use of full sentences during oral responses which demonstrate the 4P's. • Literacy KOs and PCD questions to develop phonics and morphology in all subject areas. 	<p>"Studies in England have shown that pupils eligible for free school meals may receive additional benefits from being taught how to use reading comprehension strategies. However, the UK evidence base is less extensive than the global average, and UK studies show lower impact for all pupils." – EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit – Reading Comprehension Strategies</p> <p>"Teachers in every subject should provide explicit vocabulary instruction to help students access and use academic language. Effective approaches, including those related to etymology and morphology, will help students remember new words and make connections between words.</p> <p>Teachers should prioritise teaching Tier 2 and 3 vocabulary, which students are unlikely to encounter in everyday speech. Teachers and subject leaders should consider which words and phrases to teach as part of curriculum planning." - EEF Improving Literacy in Secondary Schools</p>	<p>1 and 2</p>
<p>To increase engagement with reading and improve reading ages by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Library to be open break times and lunch times as an academic space. • Selected staff to conduct small group (a maximum of 1:5) reading interventions. • Showing an active engagement with reading is required as part of graduation (year 7 and year 8). • Compulsory extended reading project for KS3 students with high reading ages to promote the love of reading in all 	<p>"Studies in England have shown that pupils eligible for free school meals may receive additional benefits from being taught how to use reading comprehension strategies. However, the UK evidence base is less extensive than the global average, and UK studies show lower impact for all pupils.</p> <p>Reading comprehensions strategies involve the teaching of explicit approaches and techniques a pupil can use to improve their comprehension of written text. Many learners will develop these approaches without teacher guidance, adopting the strategies through trial and error as they look to better understand texts that challenge them. However, we know that on average,</p>	<p>1, 6 and 7</p>

<p>curriculum areas. This is opt-in for all other KS3 students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rich Reading weeks are mapped across the year with rigorous QA of implementation planned. • A holistic overview of reading development through a multitude of curriculum areas rather than solely in English. 	<p>disadvantaged children are less likely to own a book of their own and read at home with family members, and for these reasons may not acquire the necessary skills for reading and understanding challenging texts.” – EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit – Reading Comprehension Strategies</p>	
<p>Equal curriculum opportunities for all students through a comprehensive information, advice and guidance (IAG) process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:1 interview with all Y9 students following a PCE to ensure appropriate options subjects are selected. • 2 workplace visits linked to options subjects for all Y10 students (this may be a virtual tour). • Priority careers interviews for students identified as ‘at-risk’ in Y11. • Implantation of the Gatsby Benchmarks within the curriculum. 	<p>“While the experimental literature on careers education is weak, it can be seen in the context of stronger related literature. Longitudinal studies suggest that the way in which teenagers think about their futures in education and employment has a significant impact on what becomes of them as working adults. Teenagers who have effectively underestimated the education required for their desired profession, for example, are statistically more likely to end up NEET. In addition, young people from poorer backgrounds are more likely to have career aspirations that are misaligned with their educational ambitions.” – EEF Careers Education - Internal Literature Review July 2016</p>	2, 6 and 7
<p>Ensure that all students make good academic progress to ensure that they have as many options as possible for their post-16 education by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily after school ‘P6’ sessions to provide students with an additional hour with a ‘core’ subject specialist for all students in Y11. • Three ‘P6’ sessions for Y10 for all options subjects. • Homework folders are created for all students with work relevant to their KS. 	<p>“The average impact of approaches involving extending school time is about an additional three months’ progress over the course of a year. The average impact is influenced by the targeted use of before and after school programmes, which have higher impacts on average. The impact is also slightly lower when school time is extended in secondary school.” – EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit – Extending the School Day</p> <p>“The average impact of homework in secondary school is an additional 5 months over the course of a year. Evidence also suggests that how homework relates to learning during normal school time is important. In the most effective examples homework was an integral part of learning, rather than an add-on... Pupils eligible for free school meals typically receive additional benefits from homework.” – EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit - Homework</p>	6 and 7

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

Budgeted cost: £ 185,440

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
<p>To support students with very low reading age to make progress towards their chronological age by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEND Specialist Teacher has been employed to work with the students in KS3 who have the lowest reading ages. • A consistent Learning Mentor to support in class and provide small group reading interventions throughout the week. 	<p>“The progress of PP students at KS3 as a barrier to achievement later in school.” - Key Stage 3: the wasted years? Ofsted (2015)</p> <p>“Research which focuses on teaching assistants who provide one to one or small group targeted interventions shows a stronger positive benefit of between four and six additional months on average. Often interventions are based on a clearly specified approach which teaching assistants have been trained to deliver.” – EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit - Teaching Assistant Interventions</p>	1, 2 and 6
<p>Ensuring disadvantaged students do not fall behind their peers through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student tracking and monitoring of progress through all weekly cobra meetings. • After school ‘Achieve’ sessions to target under achievement. • Employment of Curriculum Tutors and Learning Mentors to allow for small group intervention/more targeted classroom support. 	<p>“Small group tuition approaches can support pupils to make effective progress by providing intensive, targeted academic support to those identified as having low prior attainment or at risk of falling behind. The approach allows the teacher to focus on the needs of a small number of learners and provide teaching that is closely matched to pupil understanding. Small group tuition offers an opportunity for greater levels of interaction and feedback compared to whole class teaching which can support pupils to overcome barriers to learning and increase their access to the curriculum.” - EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit – Small Group Interventions</p>	2 and 6
<p>To improve the engagement with education for students who have attendance or behaviour as a barrier through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternative provision is offered to reengage students with education where appropriate e.g., Focus Training and College Placements. Where this is external to the Academy SLT will visit to ensure students are receiving a good education. • Alternative provision placements are selected carefully to ensure next steps for education 	<p>Attainment data for TAG in AY2018-19, AY2021-22 and AY2022-23 data shows a clear link between attendance and the progress students make.</p> <p>“The analysis of the link between overall absence (and individual reasons for absence) and attainment when taking prior attainment and pupil characteristics into account showed that, for each KS2 and KS4 measure, overall absence had a statistically significant negative link to attainment – i.e., every extra day missed was associated with a lower attainment outcome.” – DfE - The link between absence and attainment at KS2 and KS4 March 2016</p>	3, 4, 5 and 6

are clear in a bid to prevent students becoming NEET.		
<p>Development of bespoke EAL provision for band A, B and C students which aims to accelerate language acquisition through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bespoke provision with a focus on phonics for band A • Embed the curriculum for band B designed to increase in complexity to accelerate students being 'mainstream ready'. • Wrap around pastoral support to help students learn school routines • CPD for staff to provide support for band C students when they return to mainstream lessons. • Investment in additional staffing to ensure personalised learning is delivered effectively to different EAL bands. 	<p>"Attainment is affected by English language proficiency. Children with EAL have widely varying levels of English proficiency; some have no English, and some are fluent multilingual English-speakers; some may have lived in English-speaking countries or have been educated in English throughout their childhood.</p> <p>Attainment is affected by first language. There are marked differences between, for example, Tamil and Chinese speakers who perform better than Pashto and Turkish speakers irrespective of when they arrive in the system. Prior education and where they live in England all impact on attainment." – <i>The Bell Foundation - Educational Outcomes of Children with English an Additional Language</i></p>	1, 2, 4 and 6
<p>To emotionally support students a bespoke provision is under development to facilitate acclimation of social norms to enable students, particularly those with SEMH, to transition to mainstream without any academic barriers. This provision is overseen by the SENDCo and requires investment in additional staffing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEND Specialist • Learning Mentor 	<p>"Small group tuition approaches can support pupils to make effective progress by providing intensive, targeted academic support to those identified as having low prior attainment or at risk of falling behind. The approach allows the teacher to focus on the needs of a small number of learners and provide teaching that is closely matched to pupil understanding. Small group tuition offers an opportunity for greater levels of interaction and feedback compared to whole class teaching which can support pupils to overcome barriers to learning and increase their access to the curriculum." - <i>EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit – Small Group Interventions</i></p>	

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

Budgeted cost: £ 128,160

Activity	Evidence that supports this approach	Challenge number(s) addressed
<p>Improving attendance for Disadvantaged/EAL students by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bespoke mentoring by YL, DYL and the attendance team for PA students through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ PA Boards (daily trackers) ◦ ARSPs • Weekly QA of ARSPs by YL and SLT • Daily SLT and LAO QA of sessions absence information to ensure that attendance remains a priority, in particular for PP/EAL students. • Home visits (by Attendance officers) to bring students in where possible, even if they access lessons through the attendance base. 	<p>Attainment data for TAG in AY2018-19, AY2021-22 and AY 2022-23 data shows a clear link between attendance and the progress students make.</p> <p>“The analysis of the link between overall absence (and individual reasons for absence) and attainment when taking prior attainment and pupil characteristics into account showed that, for each KS2 and KS4 measure, overall absence had a statistically significant negative link to attainment – i.e. every extra day missed was associated with a lower attainment outcome.” – DfE - The link between absence and attainment at KS2 and KS4 March 2016</p>	2 and 4
<p>Improving engagement in education for students whose behaviour can be a barrier by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring of students’ times in inclusion to allow for early intervention where appropriate e.g. the CONNECT and other bespoke interventions to reduce the risk of PEx. • KVUs in weekly Pastoral meetings to raise profile of strategies to support the most complex students. • Additional needs meetings between VP, Wellbeing Team, Alternative Provision Coordinators and SENDCO. Examples of interventions considered are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Internal wellbeing ◦ Noah’s Ark referral ◦ CAMHS referral ◦ Invictus referral ◦ Humankind referral ◦ EP instruction ◦ SEND Cluster support 	<p>“The average impact of behaviour interventions is four additional months’ progress over the course of a year. Evidence suggests that, on average, behaviour interventions can produce moderate improvements in academic performance along with a decrease in problematic behaviours. However, estimated benefits vary widely across programmes.” – EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit – Behaviour interventions</p> <p>“Supportive relationships are a key motivation for teachers joining the profession, and happily, both teacher and pupil surveys show that teachers usually have positive relationships with students. Research suggests that teachers knowing their students well can have a positive impact on classroom behaviour. In settings where multiple adults frequently work with individual pupils, effective communication between those key adults is important” – EEF Improving Behaviour in Schools Guidance Report</p>	2, 3 and 5

<p>Support for students identified as SEMH through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of the SEND provision through specific meetings with SEND staff during PCE events • An academic curriculum embedded into tutor time to educate all students in how to identify emotions and develop awareness of strategies for self and supported regulation. • Small group/1:1 intervention with the DYLS/Wellbeing Team so students feel well supported and can thrive socially and academically. • Developing links with external providers to allow the internal wellbeing and YL teams to offer more early interventions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Open Minds ○ Noah's Ark ○ Invictus ○ Humankind 	<p>"The average impact of successful SEL interventions is an additional four months' progress over the course of a year. The security of this evidence is, however, very low, so schools should carefully monitor the efficacy of approaches in their own settings. Alongside academic outcomes, SEL interventions have an identifiable and valuable impact on attitudes to learning and social relationships in school." - EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit – Social and Emotional Learning</p> <p>"A UK study published by the Department for Education (DfE) found that pupil wellbeing predicted their later academic progression and engagement in school. For example, pupils with better emotional wellbeing at age seven had a value-added key stage 2 score 2.46 points higher (equivalent to more than one term's progress) than pupils with poorer emotional wellbeing." – PHE - The link between pupil health and wellbeing and attainment Nov 2014</p>	<p>3, 4 and 5</p>
<p>Broaden the experiences of students through extra-curricular programs and trips:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relaunch of the 'Involve' extracurricular program. • Trips are mapped across all subjects to ensure all students have yearly opportunities for trips. • If funding for trips is problematic for a PP family this is further subsidised or the cost is covered. • PP students are not disadvantaged from accessing experiences which open up the social hinterland as they are further subsidised or paid for. 	<p>Student level data would suggest that PP students at TAG are not gaining as much access to these experiences as Non-PP students nationally.</p>	<p>6 and 7</p>
<p>A high quality, smooth transition process is facilitated through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Primary support in Y6 by the SEND team for students who may have complex needs. ○ 1:1 meetings or tours by the SEND team. 	<p>"SEN support should include planning and preparing for transition, before a child moves into another setting or school. This can also include a review of the SEN support being provided or the EHC plan. To support the transition, information should be shared by the current setting with the receiving setting or school. The current setting should agree with parents the information to be shared as part of this planning process" - Special educational needs and disability code of practice: 0 to 25 years Jan 2015</p>	<p>3, 4 and 5</p>

<p>Raise the aspirations of students so more go on to study at an appropriate level by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visits or talks given by post-16 providers • Visits to HE institutes for Y11 students • Regular discussions of careers linked to the curriculum (week 5 of each term) 	<p>Destinations data for 2022-23 showed that a number of students who obtained L2 qualifications went on to start a course that was also L2 showing a need for increased careers guidance. There is also a need for increased support for students who wish to go on to study and work within an apprenticeship.</p> <p>“Some emerging findings about the features of particularly effective careers education practice have been identified. Given the relative weakness of the evidence and the variability of the interventions identified, these findings should not be treated as definitive. However, we believe that features of effective practice include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • career exploration—giving shape to one’s own career path by exploring the options for study or work. • career dialogue—young people having meaningful conversations with teachers, parents or carers, employers and employees, alumni, and trained and qualified career development professionals. • career conversations in the workplace—giving students exposure to, and experience of work in real-life situations.” - EEF Careers Education - Internal Literature Review July 2016 	<p>2, 6 and 7</p>
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Total budgeted cost: £ 566,240

Part B: Review of outcomes in the previous academic year

Pupil premium strategy outcomes

This details the impact that our pupil premium activity had on pupils in the 2024 to 2025 academic year.

No in school gap between PP and N-PP attainment

The data below provides a summary of our students' 2025 GCSE results. The results were taken from Sisra rather than provisional published data as a more accurate reflection including successful remark requests.

The measures show students who are disadvantaged have an average A8 of 43.48 this is higher than the previous academic year where the average A8 for disadvantaged students was 40.87 in the AY2023-24. Students have a gap of -6.39 to non-disadvantaged students at TAG, which has narrowly reduced from -6.56 in the previous academic year. More work needs to be done to narrow the gap more significantly in subsequent academic years. The gap between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged BASICS measures is also an area for development.

Name	Count	4+	5+	Eng A8	Mat A8	Ebacc A8	Open A8	A8
All	162	63.6%	40.7%	11.00	8.21	13.33	13.78	46.32
PP	90	56.7%	35.6%	10.33	7.60	12.58	12.96	43.48
N-PP	72	72.2%	47.2%	11.83	8.97	14.26	14.81	49.87
Gap	-	15.5pp	11.6pp	-1.50	-1.37	-1.68	-1.85	-6.39

P6 supported disadvantaged students in making better academic progress. This intervention will therefore continue into AY2025-26. The introduction of Seneca Learning as a platform to support independent revision has also been successful and supported raising attainment. This is a strategy which will continue in AY2025-26. Maths has also been invested in and will be rolled out across the whole school: this aims to drive attainment across both key stages and aims to reduce the gap to national Maths attainment, particularly for disadvantaged students.

Revision strategies will be embedded in KS4 tutor time in a bid to develop knowledge of how to successfully revise independently. Bespoke sessions will be developed by Maths, English and Science initially to ensure a breadth of strategies are taught.

Masters of Recall data is shown in the table below for T1 and T6. The data shows that disadvantaged students, along with all N-PP students, made progress from T1 to T6. This shows that the focus on drilling recall has helped students obtain more disciplinary

knowledge overtime. It should be noted that MOR tests are cumulative so T6 assessments are more difficult than T1.

	T1	T2	T3	T4	T6
%	75	75	71	75	72
% PP	73	73	69	74	70

MoR will continue to be a focus in CPD to ensure that students are building knowledge overtime, as well as supporting them to develop revision strategies which will have a longer term impact.

At least 95% of staff to be consistently strong teachers

During T6 of AY2024-25 there were only 2 teachers who required additional coaching or support. This equates to 4% of teaching staff meaning that 96% of staff were demonstrating that they were consistently strong teachers.

The same mechanisms which were in place in AY2024-25 for new starters will be implemented in AY2025-26 as the impact was evident in teaching strength. CPD will continue for support staff to ensure the strength in the team reflects what is evident in teaching staff.

All ECT to remain at TAG for AY2024/25 (unless there are external factors)

Of the 3 ECTs who started the academic year with us with a permanent contract, two left TAG, both are not presently working in the education sector. All other ECTs and TFs successfully completed their inductions with us. Retention of staff who have been highly trained, with bespoke CPD to ensure they understand the challenges our students face and how to support, gives students the best opportunities to improve their attainment as they are receiving an excellent education.

95+ % positive staff voice about CPD

- In a staff survey in October 2024:
 - 100% of staff agreed that CPD sessions are well researched and focused on appropriate areas of Academy development.
 - 98% of staff agreed that CPD sessions support their development and practice.
- Staff voice undertaken at the end of T4 in response to the CPD offered on Feedback:
 - "I have been more aware of adapting the green sheets dependent on each class ensuring more focused feedback."
 - "The focus on reteaching the identified misconception has been good for me."
 - "Reteach box really helps students with IP as they retain an example."

At least 95% of staff regularly model good oracy

Data collection on the 4Ps (Projection, posture, pace and pause) showed that at least 98% of staff modelled good posture and projection. When students were speaking

good posture and projection was routinely acknowledged (or praised) and poor examples were challenged by staff.

By improving the social skills of students, we provide them with the skills they need to move on to appropriate, and ambitious, education providers post 16 and beyond. The 4Ps embedded in staff briefing and CPD around this will carry on to develop a mechanism for staff to challenge and correct oracy in students.

In AY2025-26 posture and pace will be a focus for developing consistent staff language and actions to challenge poor examples and provide increased opportunities for students to practice speaking in front of their peers.

At least 80% of reviewed books show students demonstrating resilience in writing appropriate to their age range.

Writing development has been a focus area across the academic year. Development started in humanities across History, Geography and RS. A review of writing within humanities books pre and post writing development is summarised below:

Criteria Assessed	Pre (%)	Post (%)
Extended writing is taking place at least once a term in books.	40	80
Non-genre writing (e.g. note taking) is present in books.	100	100
Literacy is a clear priority in books through live marking/modelling.	17	87
Use of success criteria is present for marking/live marking.	0	100
Writing tasks given align with assessment (KS3 and KS4).	100	100
Modelled examples are present	17	87

Student voice from humanities lessons asked the question 'do you feel confident writing in lessons?' 81% of students answered positively.

Towards the end of AY2024-25 writing development started with Creative Media, Sport, Health and Social Care and Performing Arts. Development is still in progress in these subjects at the end of AY2024-25. Curriculum maps have been updated and mechanisms to provide students with opportunities to practice extended writing and receive feedback to improve are in the infancy of implementation.

This will remain a key focus in AY2025-26 with QA and refinement of the subjects listed above and the development of writing in Art, Photography and Business will commence.

No in school gap between PP and N-PP Reading Ages and these are improving over time

Overall	T1 %	T2 %	T4 %	T6 %
Phonics	6.6	6.2	4.4	3.1
Comprehension	49.8	42.4	37.6	34.2
Inference	43.6	51.4	58	62.7

PP Cohort	T1 %	T2 %	T4 %	T6 %
Phonics	8.3	7.4	4.8	3.1
Comprehension	52.6	45.6	41.9	38.9
Inference	39.1	47.1	53.3	57.9

Reading assessments showed that in T1 43.6% of the cohort, but only 39.1% of the PP cohort, were reading at or above the expected standard. By the end of term 6 62.7% of the cohort, and 57.9% of the PP cohort, were reading at or above the expected standard. This shows that the gap has slightly widened between the N-PP and PP cohort despite the significant shift in those reading at the expected standard (+ 18.8pp of the PP cohort). Overall, the AY2024-25 ended with a 15pp gap between PP and N-PP for reading at or above expected. Whilst this needs to improve it is a narrowing of the gap which was 16pp at the end of the AY2023-24.

This will remain a key focus in AY2025-26 with targeted reading interventions for PP students as a priority to help narrow the PP/N-PP reading gap. The target is to have 75% of students in inference reading sessions with no in school PP gap.

No in-school gap between PP and N-PP attendance and Attendance is at or above NA

With significant interventions we have been able to improve attendance from 90% to 91%. PP attendance has shown improvements with a rise from 88.1% in AY2023-24 to 88.9% in AY2024-25. This is significantly better than national PP attendance, which for 2024 was 86%

Attendance will continue to be a focus in AY2025-26 with the aim of bringing PP students in line with N-PP and pushing to the NA. The more time students spend in school engaged with learning the more likely they are to attain at GCSE and have better life chances after education.

No in school gap in behaviour incidents between PP and N-PP students

In AY2024-25, in terms of inclusions, there was a 58% to 42% split between PP and N-PP students respectively. This shows a representative proportion of PP students in inclusion as 54% of the AY2024-25 cohort were identified as PP. Suspensions had a split 70% - 30% for suspension count (PP - N-PP). This shows that PP students are overrepresented in suspensions. In order to further develop our offer to address behaviour in our PP cohort we will be commencing:

- Delivery of an academic behaviour curriculum through TAG 'Professional Standards' so students better understand why school rules exist.
- Developing a Wellbeing Hub to ensure focused and targeted interventions can take place to support vulnerable students in making the right choices.

- Further development of Trinity Academy Carlton Mill to support students to stay in and/or re-engage in their education.
- Rewards are better advertised in the academy and are achievable for all students to encourage improved behaviour.

Reducing the number of students repeatedly in inclusion will continue to be a focus in AY2025-26 as the more time students have in lessons the higher their attainment will likely to be. Correcting behaviour will also mean that students meet the social norms expected opening up more opportunities post-16 and in later life.

Suspension in line or below NA

Suspensions across Calderdale increased during the academic year. Suspensions at TAG reduced significantly in AY2024-25.

Work will continue with the pastoral team, wellbeing team and external services in order to reduce the number of suspensions. The more time students have in lessons the higher their attainment will likely to be. Correcting behaviour will also mean that students meet the social norms expected opening up more opportunities post-16 and in later life.

PEX in line or below NA

TAGs rate of PEX was 0.4% in AY2024-25 which is just above NA of 0.25%: 5 students (1 identified as PP) were permanently excluded from the Academy. In 2023-24, 14 students were permanently excluded (7 identified as PP). This shows the impact of our internal alternative provision, TACM, in supporting those at risk of PEX to continue to engage with education.

The trend in behaviour shows there are fewer additional needs students repeatedly in inclusion

Inclusion figures indicate strongly that our systems and process have a significant impact on behaviour as students move up the school. Inclusion rates have dropped over the academic year. This work will continue as the more time students spend in lessons, and displaying behavioural norms, the more likely students are to be successful in later life.

At least 95% homework completion rates for PP students

The homework completion rates for KS4 students are shown in the table below:

Year	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6
10	96%	95%	97%	95%	89%	88%
11	98%	97%	96%	94%	70%	

A whole KS4 homework launch was actioned to ensure that students are fully aware of the expectations. A coordinated approach was also be given to exam practise homework to ensure that students have a breadth of subjects to practise without being overloaded with work.

Homework systems at KS3 have also been amended to bring them in line with the expectations of homework at KS4. All students must provide evidence of their independent revision (rather than relying on 70% pass mark). A renewed focus will be placed on knowledge organisers to ensure that students have these available every day and that they are used regularly in lessons as well as to support homework.

The number of detentions related to homework have decreased from T1 to T6:

	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6
#	662	509	505	543	305	246
# PP	412	313	305	332	171	153

PP students are overly represented in homework DT numbers. To support with this moving forwards into AY2025-26 a homework club will be included in all Involve cycles and a homework club will be available at break in a computer room daily to remove any technological advancements.

Homework will continue to be a focus in AY2025-26 as it is a mechanism which supports students in developing resilience and independent study skills. These skills will be essential to facilitate students in moving on to post-16 education, employment or training.

At least 54% of students invited on trips, involved in sports day are identified as PP

Experiences that are linked to the curriculum are planned across all year groups. This includes work-place visits for Year 10 students and various post-16 destinations for Year 11 students.

	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Overall
Trips	8	14	12	17	11	62
% PP	47	50	53	50	53	52

Of the trips that took place beyond whole year groups, 52% of the cohorts were identified as PP – at least 54% of students invited were PP but this did not always translate due to attendance and/or consent barriers.

All students have benefitted from the offer of external trips and visits linked to a variety of curriculum foci. This has ensured that the proportion of students offered trips is equitable and those that are identified as PP have benefitted in line with their non-PP peers. Where PP students have been unable to pay for trips, these have been heavily subsidised, or fully funded, by school to ensure students do not miss out. This is a strategy which will continue in AY2025-26 as trips not only provide access to education outside of the classroom, they also open opportunities for students to access the social hinterland which is important for them to feel comfortable and be successful in later life.

At least 65% of students go on to study L3 courses post-16, of which 35% are A Level courses

Awaiting data to be published.

Externally provided programmes

Please include the names of any non-DfE programmes that you purchased in the previous academic year. This will help the Department for Education identify which ones are popular in England

Programme	Provider

Service pupil premium funding (optional)

For schools that receive this funding, you may wish to provide the following information:

Measure	Details
How did you spend your service pupil premium allocation last academic year?	
What was the impact of that spending on service pupil premium eligible pupils?	

Further information (optional)

The statement above is a working document and may be updated at any time.