

The Role of the PP/PE Governor

- Become familiar with the concept of PP/PE: what it is, why the school receives it and how it is allocated
- Know basic facts about the use of PP/PE in your school including the use of any school polices
- Be a champion for children in receipt of PP/PE, ensuring targets for children are realistic but aspirations are high
- Meet with staff on a termly basis in order to monitor the use of PP/PE funding
- Ensure appropriate training is provided and monitor the impact
- Hold Leaders to account for the provision and progress of children in receipt of PP/PE
- Attend specific training on PP/PE
- Have a regular agenda item at Governing Body meetings to report back on the use of PP/PE.
- Challenge the use of PP/PE ensuring it has impact and an audit trail is in place
- Ensure the information on the school website is up to date and compliant

Possible questions for the PP/PE governor to consider;

Eligible pupils

- 1. Have all pupils eligible PP/PE been identified and do the families understand that they can claim money for the school to support their child's education?
- 2. How do you know that the school knows who <u>all</u> the PP/PE pupils are?

<u>Staffing</u>

- 3. Is the school using its best staff (teachers and support staff) with PP/PE children?
- 4. Do staff know which pupils are PP/PE children and the possible support and expected intervention?
- 5. Do staff understand the barriers to learning for each of our eligible pupils?
- 6. Have all staff received the training they need to effectively support disadvantaged children?

School strategy



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- 7. Does your school have a PP/PE Strategy? How were governors involved in developing it?
- 8. Is the school planning its activities strategically while targeting them to meet individual needs? How do know how? Are they affordable?
- 9. Is the school using robust evidence about what works to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils for example in the Education Endowment Foundation toolkit when deciding how to spend our PP/PE?
- 10. How good is our rationale for our spending decisions?
- 11. Is attendance, punctuality and behaviour (particularly exclusions) of this group being monitored and action being taken?
- 12. What processes have been put in place to evaluate whether the intervention strategies are working?

Monitoring

- 13. How does the governing body monitor the impact of the strategy?
- 14. Are the progress and outcomes of eligible pupils identified and analysed by the school's tracking systems?
- 15. Is this information reported to governors in a way that enables us to see clearly the difference in the performance of eligible pupils and other pupils?
- 16. Do governors to have a clear picture about the progress and attainment of pupils, who are eligible for the PP/PE in all year groups across the school, not just those at the end of key stages?
- 17. Do we understand where the achievement differences, attainment and progress, are in our school?
- 18. How are high prior attaining disadvantaged pupils achieving compared to other high prior attaining pupils?
- 19. Are there any other sub-groups of disadvantaged pupils that require closer monitoring? In care or adopted?
- 20. How are we evaluating the success of our PP strategy? How responsive it is to refinement?

Accountability

- 21. How does the governing body record its monitoring and oversight of effectiveness of the PP/PE strategy and the impact of the expenditure, during the year and at the end of the year?
- 22. How do governors know activities are having an impact? What evidence are we gathering to share with Ofsted?



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- 23. How are we involving parents and carers? Do we have our PP/PE statement online?
- 24. On the school website, have we got a clear way to present the information? How good is the account of PP spending? In particular, does it describe the school's strategy and the impact of PP strategies?
- 25. Does internal monitoring show you are making headway or might you benefit from an independent PP/PE review to fine tune our approach? Should you consider an external review of PP/PE?
- 26. Do we have a great story to tell and share? Should we apply for a PPG award?