



Southfields Primary School

Pupil Premium 2023-2024

Potential barriers to learning

Pupil Premium children may face common barriers to learning for educational achievement. At Southfields Primary School, we endeavour to address, minimalise and overcome these barriers.

Typical barriers that our children may face are below:

- Safeguarding and Welfare issues
- Low attendance and poor punctuality
- Social/economic disadvantage
- Financial issues faced during the current climate
- Anxieties as a result of Covid-19
- Family structures/complex family situations
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities
- English as an additional language (EAL)
- Language development, language delay and communication issues
- Social and emotional issues
- Development of social skills
- Confidence, resilience and self-esteem issues
- Mental health and wellbeing
- Vulnerable families with social and emotional needs
- Health, diet and physical wellbeing
- Behaviours that prevent learning
- Gaps in knowledge and understanding
- Struggling with sensory issues
- Parental engagement and confidence
- Lack of resources for learning at home
- Support for homework and home learning
- Opportunities for learning outside of school and extra-curricular activities
- Opportunities to have reading, language and learning skills modelled outside of school
- Difficulties with focusing and listening
- Parents with busy occupations and those who may work away from home for long periods of time
- Loss and bereavement