Pupil premium strategy statement Countesthorpe Academy

1. Summary information						
School	Countesthorpe Academy					
Academic Year	2020-21 Total PP budget £237 795 Date of most recent PP Review January 2019					
Total number of pupils	1376	Number of pupils eligible for PP	259	Date for next internal review of this strategy	Decemb er 2020	

2. Current attainment					
	Pupils eligible for PP (your school)	Pupils not eligible for PP (national average)			
% achieving L9-5 incl. EM	24.5%	50%			
% achieving L9-4 incl. EM	42.9%	74%			
% achieving expected progress in English / Maths (+P8 score)	22/20	26/22			
Progress 8 score average	-0.85	-0.11			
Attainment 8 score average	32.12	47.57			

3. B	arriers to future attainment (for pupils eligible for PP)				
In-scho	bol barriers (issues to be addressed in school, such as poor literacy skills)				
Α.	Levels of literacy and numeracy are much lower for disadvantaged students on entry to the Academy	in Year 7 than compared to non-disadvantaged students (57% / 25%)			
В.	Behaviour for learning				
C.	PP Students make less progress than other students across the Academy				
D.	Consistency of expectations				
Extern	al barriers (issues which also require action outside school, such as low attendance rates)				
Ε.	Attendance for PP Students is below the target of 95% for all students which means that they fall behind				
F.	Cohorts have changed over recent years with new challenges being brought into school				
4. 0	Putcomes				
	Desired outcomes and how they will be measured	Success criteria			
Α.	Improve reading ability of PP students:	A1: 75% PP students RA within 2 years chronological (currently 43%)			
	Improve reading ages of PP students so that they can thrive in the curriculum				
В.	Improve teaching and learning so that PP students' needs are more consistently met, with focus on literacy:	B1: 100% faculties have oracy planned within SOL by September 2019 and this is instrumental in lessons			
	1 Develop oracy in the classroom with the result that PP students (and non-PP) are better prepared for discussion and for writing formally	B2: English on track Y7 from 58.2% to 80+%, Y8 from 69% to 80%+, Y9 from 81% to 90%+, Y10 from 39% to 80%+ , Y11 from 45% to60%			

	 2 Improve writing of PP students so that they achieve in their curriculum and their exams 3 Develop reading skills in all subjects 	 B2: all KS4 subjects understand and teach their own writing styles but through a consistent use of language B3: 100% faculties have reading strategies planned within SOL by December 2019 and this is instrumental in lessons B: P8 of PP students from -0.83 in 2019 and -0.5 in 2020 B: Open Basket P8 from -1.37 (2019) and -0.8 (2020)
С.	Improve teaching and learning so that behaviour for learning supports good progress for all	 Behaviour data shows the following improvements: Learning Walks and Lesson Observations see an improvement in engagement from 89% to 97% and that the quality of teaching moves from 84% good or better to 100% good or better overall. Learning walks show 100% of PP specific strategies in place. These include: Every PP student is asked at least one question per lesson and only 'Right is right' accepted Teachers check that PP students have responded to feedback during the lesson PP students' work is marked first PP HLTA will actively work with Departments to ensure that support is in place with PP students to ensure that they make the same progress as their Non PP peers. To ensure good progress of PP students we will aim for sets 1 and 2 particularly to be proportionately representative of PP students. It will be the role of class teachers and HLTAs to ensure that support is provided for these students to prevent their demotion.

		The most able PP students in Years 9 and 10 will participate in the Brilliant Club. Crest Award will be run for PP students in Year 8 As a result of these actions the following will be seen across the Academy:
		 The number of Value Points will move from PP students achieving an average of 13% of merits per year group currently to 20% by July 2021. The number of behaviour points for incomplete homework will be a representative percentage (20%) from September 2020.
D.	Improve behaviour of PP students	Reduced exclusions from 50% of the number of exclusions made to 20% or less of the number of exclusions made Improved rewards from 12% of the cohort to at least 20% Reduced behaviour points from 40% of all behaviour point to less than 20% of all behaviour points
E.	Improve attendance of PP students	Attendance improved from 91% to 95% Associated impact on learning

5. Planned expenditure						
Academic year 2020-21						
The three hea whole school	Ŭ	enable schools to demonstrate how they are usi	ng the Pupil Premium to improve clas	sroom pedagogy, provide t	targeted support and support	
i. Quality		•				
Desired outcome	Chosen ac	ction / approach	What is the evidence and rationale for this choice?	Expected cost	Staff lead and monitoring When will you review implementation?	
A Develop a culture of reading	2. Int 2. Int 3. All Re 4. Lit	eading Events run throughout the year with authors oming into the Academy. troduction of STAR Reader to monitor the reading ges of students across the Academy I students in Yr 7 access the Library and take part in eading lessons teracy competitions run throughout the year to omote reading	Literacy is key to understanding and making progress. A disproportionate number of PP students arrive with literacy skills below their chronological age. EEF evidence shows that reading comprehension strategies can add an additional six months' worth of	Rewards/Prizes: £200 Photocopying: £500	Literacy Co-ordinator and Librarian to arrange Reading Events on a termly basis beginning in the summer term of 2019	
	5. Lia	aison work with Primary Schools to ensure the culture reading continues into Secondary	progress to a student.	Resources (new books): £500	DTH and Literacy Co-ordinator to arrange competitions on a termly basis.	
				Author visits £ 2 300		
				Total: £ 3 500	Librarian to monitor the number of books being taken out on a monthly basis and report to DTH. House points will be awarded based on the % of PP students who taken out books	

B Develop literacy in the classroom	Oracy CPD and embedding in SOL [think-say-say formally-write]	Students also need further practice in how to write in the correct register in order for them to attain the highest	Cost of reading packages for all years: £6220	AP Teaching and Learning LT
	Consistent writing structures in KS3	grades. Literacy is not the sole responsibility of	CPD – time for peer observations, printing costs: £1500	Half termly from its introduction via the Academy's QA calendar. Actions to be taken to address issues as appropriate.
	Implement literacy strategy which develops understanding through CPD of writing structures in all KS4 lessons Reading CPD and embedding in SOL [reading strategies and reading accountability]	the English Department. Students need to be able to deconstruct subject specific vocabulary, have a clear understanding of what a particular instruction word/question word means in that subject and how to answer that particular question. Whilst there is no evidence to support this practice it will ensure that literacy		
	Students in Years 7-10 to have their reading age tested annually with support provided for those identified.	remains at the heart of all that we do to raise attainment across the Academy	Total £ 7 720	

C and D Develop behaviour for learning	 Develop and extend teaching strategies so that student accountability is high, leading to greater student ownership of their learning. Strategies to include: 1. Accountability – no hands up / show me / Mini whiteboards 2. Minimum expectations of 'no opt out' / right is right/all the way right / bouncing questioning 3. Skilled use of PiXL Strategies: DTT/PLC/Smith Pro forma 4. Further development of Thinking Harder strategies 	There is no EEF evidence for this strategy. However, currently there is too much passive learning taking place. Changing our approach to increase the accountability of students should lead to improved behaviour for learning and ultimately better outcomes. High quality targeted feedback is proven by the EEF to enable students to make rapid progress (+8months)	Time for training with staff as groups and as individuals for the implementation of these strategies: £2000	All staff, reviewed through QA programme of Learning Walks plus Performance Management
	Use more assembly time to share culture and create buy-in	There is no EEF evidence to support this strategy however it is important that students have a clearer understanding of what is happening in		SLT/HoDs Half Termly
		their Academy and why.	Total budgeted cost	£13 220

ii. Targo	eted support			
Desired outcome	Chosen action / approach	What is the evidence and rationale for this choice?	Expected cost	Staff lead When will you review implementation?

A Improve	Reading programme with Year 7-9 will include one extra session	The EEF state:	Time of staff:	JSH will have oversight of the
reading ability of PP students	per week for PP students	'On average, reading comprehension	2 days per week @UPS 1:	Reading Programme. This is now in place. Reporting to LT
PP students		approaches deliver an additional six	£17000	will be on a termly basis via AP
		months' progress. Successful reading		Teaching and Learning
	PP students will have the opportunity to buy books for the Academy library to encourage reading	comprehension approaches allow activities to be carefully tailored to	Resources (including STAR Reader):£2000	
		pupils' reading capabilities, and involve		
		activities and texts that provide an		
		effective, but not overwhelming, challenge.'		
		Evidence from the previous year show		
		that the approach at CLCC meant that		
		students made an average of an additional 12 additional months		

C Improve academic outcomes for PP students	Year 11 students have access to PiXL Build Up including GCSE POD which they access in school time to help boost their levels of understanding and engagement with learning.	Free this academic year	AHU to introduce and monitor its impact with the selected students.
	A number of PP students do not attend mainstream provision. Extra support will be put into these students with regards to English and Maths tuition after school or within their placement setting as appropriate.	Cost of tutors £6000	AHU to monitor the progress of these students and the impact of their tutors.
	Year 10 PP students are to mentor Year 8 PP students.	No cost	NWI to monitor the impact of this monitoring. Initial monitoring will involve equipment, uniform and general organisation before moving onto academic support.

D Improve behaviour of PP students	Graduated response to behaviour management has been introduced across the Academy.	Currently our PP students are proportionately over-represented in our behaviour and FTE figures. The Academy has made positive moves to address this issue.	5 days of HLTA £30000	DTH/KRU with support of Senior Teachers. This will be monitored on a weekly basis.
	 Additional and proactive response to behaviour will come in the form of key workers for PP students who will act as mentors/support to help address issues of behaviour. Mentors will ensure first 'phone calls are made in the mornings to ensure PP students are in Academy provide PP students with necessary SEMH support where possible to signpost them to the appropriate support network provide opportunities for PP students to develop resilience and initiative as well as taking responsibility for themselves and their actions Provide academic support and mentoring for PP students as appropriate 	The EEF report that behaviour interventions can provide an additional three months' worth of progress. This combined with a greater individualised approach which EEF research shows can add a further additional three months' worth of progress.		DTH/Senior Teachers will have oversight of the HLTA mentors to ensure that their work is targeted. Senior teachers will monitor this on a weekly basis, DTH to monitor on a monthly basis.
	Resources to be made available for them to draw on for PP students.			
E Improve attendance of PP students	Implement attendance policy ensure that identified key workers check on attendance of PP students and support the AIO in re- engaging these students with learning and attending the Academy. This will ensure that first day calls are made to all PP students with second day early calls made for PP students who missed the previous day. Parental meeting will take place for those PP students who have an attendance below 95% 20:20 Attendance competitions/Jump the Queue passes for each PP student who has 100% attendance in a week.	There is a wealth of research that demonstrates the positive link between good attendance to good attainment. The Academy has recently rewritten its Attendance Policy and now needs to ensure that it is embedded into every day practice.	2 days of AIO support for PP students: £15000	KRU via weekly meeting and reporting back to DTH

F Ensure capacity to impact on PP achievement	The PP team consists of the VP (Character and Culture), AP (Teaching and Learning) plus the Senior Teachers with responsibility for Key Stages 3 and 4 This team are able to ensure that there is a bredth of provision for PP students including a range of cultural and educational experiences beyond the classroom. Additionally that teachers and non-teaching staff receive the necessary training to ensure that this group of students are exposed to high quality lessons that enable them to make rapid progress.	. Whilst there is no Education Endowment Foundation evidence available to support this decision, the commitment of the leadership team to this will ensure that PP and the raising of PP attainment will remain a high priority of the Academy.	2 x 1 Day @ L8: £25 700	Governors through their meeting structure
	 Plan programme of CPD with staff Following relevant CPD, the Academy will instigate a policy of ensuring that: Sets 1 and 2 reflect the percentage of PP students across the cohort. PP students will always be asked a question during a lesson that enables the teacher to judge their level of understanding PP students work will always be marked first 	In order for staff to be secure in how to raise the achievement of PP students, it is necessary that they access regularly opportunities to share and learn proven good practice that they can use in the classroom. Research shows that student behaviour improves through high quality teaching that challenges and stimulates young people. Evidence from the EEF shows that collaborative learning and oral language interventions can both provide an additional 5 months' worth of progress. Additional the EEF have shown that within class attainment groupings can add an extra three months' progress to a student.	Cover Costs: £1500	DTH/AP Teaching and Learning
	Develop middle leaders to lead PP within their subject/department to i. Support good practice ii. The implementation of the above policy iii. Monitoring the need for interventions and their subsequent impact iv. Monitoring homework completion	As a result of this training further work will be required to ensure that they are clear on: i. What to monitor ii. How to monitor the impact of such strategies		SLT/HoDs via learning walks and data inputs
			Total budgeted cost	£138 180

Desired outcome	Chosen action / approach	What is the evidence and rationale for this choice?	Expected cost	Staff lead When will you review implementation?
Further improve the outcomes for PP students	Provide enhanced staffing levels to support underachieving PP students in lessons and through subject specific intervention and academic mentoring	EEF research shows that 1-1 tuition can provide an additional 5months worth of progress that is used for a number of key PP students. In addition, a number of PP students have additional tuition in small groups. EEF evidence shows that this approach can lead to an additional 4 months' worth of progress	£51 093	DTH/TGA
	Develop targeted PP students' emotional intelligence social, communication and skills through ASDAN bespoke course, using French curriculum time`	The EEF toolkit does not reference this type of strategy, however the Academy has noticed an increasing need for such a resource.	£17 000	DTH to review this on a half termly basis
	Nurture Group for students who are not "secondary ready" and will not thrive in a totally mainstream setting or need further support to help them achieve	The changing nature of the Academy's intake has meant that there are an increasing number of students who for a variety of reasons arrive 'not	£33 607	DTH to review this on a half termly basis

		secondary ready' This year we have introduced a 'Nurture Group' for 17 students. The idea being that 20% their timetable is taught by the same teacher. Students in other year groups are identified for specific SEMH interventions		
Total budgeted cost				£99 400

6. Review of expenditure					
Previous Academic Year		2019-20			
i. Quality c	of teaching for all				
Desired outcome	Chosen action / approach	Estimated impact: Did you meet the success criteria? Include impact on pupils not eligible for PP, if appropriate.	Lessons learned (and whether you will continue with this approach)	Cost	
A Develop a culture of reading	All students in Yr 7 access the Library and take part in Reading lessons Literacy competitions run throughout the year to promote reading	Due to the COVID Lockdown and significant staff absence the impact of this initiative was quite severely impacted. Students with the lowest reading ages mad the most progress whilst in school, making an average improvement of 6 months in the period from September to January. Plans for World Book Day did not happen last academic year	There is a greater need to bring books and reading to life. Whilst these first two approaches will continue, there is a need to bring more authors into Academy for different year groups and particularly authors that will engage with boys. Given the issues of staffing a whole school approach to testing of reading and development of reading has been adopted.		
	Liaison work with Primary Schools to ensure the culture of reading continues into Secondary	Feedback from teachers and initial data shows that the Reading Booklets created with feeder high schools have enabled those students who completed the work to make more rapid progress in Year 7	This approach has proven to be popular with staff, primary colleagues and parents, consequently it will continue	£0.40 x 250 £100	
Improving the quality of feedback, leading targeted intervention.	Development of Smith Proforma PLCs	31.3% of Year 11 disadvantaged students had a positive subject progress (up from 25% on the previous year) index compare to 44.8% of non-disadvantaged students.	Further work is needed on this area of work across the Academy to ensure consistency of approach. Data from the EEF clearly shows that students acting upon feedback enables them to make rapid progress (+8 months). This approach will be continued and developed further.	Resources £750 Cost of CPD (inc cover and	

Improving the Attendance to the Academy .	Review and implement the new Attendance Policy.	The implementation of the policy has had limited impact upon raising levels of attendance across the Academy. This is partly due to the long-term absence of the AIO. PP attendance has moved from 87% to 91%, Non PP has remained at 94%	Further work is need to ensure that the policy is being consistently applied. PP students need to have key worker who can work with them to overcome the barriers that at times prevent them from attending Academy.	£6 500
ii. Targeted	l support			
Improved engagement in lessons	Paired Reading	Overview of the Paired Reading Scheme Previous years data has consistently shown this initiative to have had a strong positive impact. This year due to the COVID Lockdown and issues with staff absence, this has not been possible to demonstrate the full impact of the scheme	As the year progressed it was felt that small group reading was having a greater impact with a reading age of 9yrs 5mths and above and so these students were moved to a group reading session.	Staffing: £36 000
			Further training with staff is needed to enable more TAs to use STAR Reader and Bedrock to enable more students to access reading and comprehension strategies	
			Whilst literacy is key to improving engagement, behaviour and achievement, this needs for developing so that departments are clear about what 'extra' we do for PP students	
	Creation of a Homework Club for PP students	The Homework Club runs after school on a Tuesday and Thursday until 4:15pm to support PP students with homework and provide IT support. Each year numbers start in the region of 5-6 KS3 students each session and increases as the year progresses to 30 students per session from February onwards PP Students represent 85% of those students who attend the club.	This is a strategy which will continue	Staffing: £7000

	Analysis of behaviour points shows that PP students represent 12% of the total number of students who have not completed homework on time. There is no previous data to make any comparisons		
ASDAN for students who do not study MFL	This is offered to students in Years 8 and 9. Each group is made up of a minimum 80% PP students. The impact has been a reduction in behaviour points for these students and an opportunity to further enhance their literacy and numeracy skills	This strategy will continue however it will be amended to take into account the students who were taught in the Nurture Group in 2018- 19.	Cost of Registration £543.42 Staffing: £10000
Training of staff to deliver lessons remotely during Lockdown	 As a result of the COVID Lockdown, staff and students received training on alternative ways to deliver their lessons to ensure that no student fell behind. Staff received training in: Voice-over PowerPoints Use of Microsoft Teams to meet as a department Use of Microsoft Teams to deliver lessons 	This training has proven to be invaluable for staff and students. It has ensured that students have been able to keep up with their learning and ensure that SOL have been covered in a timely manner.	
Purchase and renovation of school laptops and internet access to enable KS4 students to access online learning during COVID -Lockdown	Over 50% of students in Year 10 did not have access to a PC and/or the internet. This meant that they were unable to access much of the work being set by staff including 'live' lessons. All PP students in Year 10 were provided with a school laptop and where necessary an internet dongle to allow them to access resources and live lessons.	This strategy ensured that PP students did not fall behind their peers by missing out on learning or accessing high quality resources. This strategy has since been adapted following the government laptop scheme	Adaption of school laptops: £20 000
Photocopying of resources for PP students during COVID Lockdown	During the LOCKDOWN many PP students did not have access to the internet or a device that enabled them to access the work set for them by their teachers. PP students were regularly posted or had delivered packs of work for them to keep up with their peers	This has continued for a number of students who have had to self-isolate this academic year	£1500

Improved outcomes in English and Maths for PP students	Identified groups of students supported and support in literacy and numeracy through additional studies time.	Disadvantaged students have improved confidence in literacy and numeracy skills. Year 11 December Mocks 41% of PP students were on track in English Language (up by 20% on the previous year). In Maths the number remained at 23%. Due to the lockdown the impact of further intervention cannot be examined.	The impact of this strategy has meant that disadvantaged students still do not make sufficient progress. This may have been down to a lack of consistent teaching in some cases. The approach has since been altered in light of a curriculum review, with specialist teachers taking identified students for a period of time and the work now carefully monitored by the leadership team	Staffing: (2x M4 teachers) £74692 Resources and Reprographi cs: £600
	All students are assessed in entry into	The full impact of this scheme cannot be fully examined this year. However in previous years the success of this programme has been celebrated	This scheme has proven to be successful and will therefore continue	Staffing: £30000
iii. Other ap	oproaches Chosen action /	Estimated impact: Did you meet the success criteria? Include impact	Lessons learned	Cost
outcome	approach	on pupils not eligible for PP, if appropriate.	(and whether you will continue with this approach)	COSC
Providing disadvantaged students with the necessary resources to succeed in school	Financial support for educational visits Revision materials and other equipment	All disadvantaged students have been able to attend subject specific educational visits All students have been able to access revision classes and use the appropriate resources in lessons SIMS data shows no gap in between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged students being recorded.	The Academy needs a clear policy about the amount that it will pay towards trips. This will continue, there is still a clear need for further QA in lessons as to the use of revision guides.	£16 860.80

Improving the SEMH ofPastoral team to monitor attendancestudents to improveand mentor the students who presentattendance and resilience.with SEMH issues.	All students (although disadvantaged students have priority) have access to specialist staff who works with students and families, to improve both progress, attitude to learning, behaviour and attendance. Attendance of disadvantaged students for 2017-18 was 86.9%, if outliers were removed this figure rises to 91.3%	The Academy has rewritten its attendance policy. Further work is needed in the area of attendance. This is being hampered by the absence of the Attendance Improvement Officer!	Staffing Costs: £40 000
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