



Pupil Premium Grant 2015-16

The pupil premium is additional funding for publicly funded schools in England to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the gap between them and their peers.

For Children who are looked after, the grant is allocated via the placing local authority's virtual school headteacher.

Birtenshaw received £12455.67 in the school year 2015-2016.

The focus of the spending has been two-fold, items that will enhance the learning opportunities of a group of children and items that have been purchased for specific children to enable them to better access learning. Given the particular needs of the children who attend Birtenshaw School, some of the allocation has been spent on therapeutic items to enable better access to curriculum activities.

	Description	Cost	Expected Outcome	Group/ Individual
Assistive Technology	55" Lift and Tilt Touchscreen	£2,757.60	To enable children with limited mobility/limited motor skills to access interactive technology for learning	Group
	iPads	£5,224.86	Development of IT and communication skills	4 for individual pupils identified through PEP process 17 for classroom use
Sensory Curriculum and Sensory Processing Equipment	Bespoke Inset Training for all staff on Sensory Learning	£1,118.16	To develop staff team's understanding of the benefits to learners of taking sensory approaches to learning	Individuals and groups
	LED Projector	£217.99	Sensory learning opportunities	Individuals and groups

	Contribution to additional sensory room space – grant funding obtained for majority of cost	£526.00	Sensory space dedicated for younger pupils – as calming space and to develop understanding of cause and effect	Individuals and groups
Communication	PECS Communication Books	£149.50	To develop communication skills for pupils using PECS	Individuals
Curriculum	Additional books for library	£857.89	Age appropriate books at suitable reading levels	Individuals and groups
	STEM Resources	£628.57	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Go Animate” – animation software – ICT skills, literacy and communication • Bee Bot Starter Kit 	Individuals and groups
	Music Resources	£975.00	Percussion Instruments Urban Noise Maker Charanga Subscription To develop skills in music making and group work/turn taking	Individuals and groups