

Service Pupil Premium Impact Statement

The Service Pupil Premium

The Service Pupil Premium has a slightly different purpose to the Disadvantaged Pupil Premium, focusing more on pastoral support than academic progress. The Service Pupil Premium (SPP) is an allocation of £300 per child whose parents are connected to the military, which is paid to school. The purpose of this funding is to mitigate any detrimental effects that the demands of service life may place on pupils or their families

At Le Cateau, we recognise the wide range of needs and the impact they have upon individiuals and their families so we use the SPP to support them. The rationale behind our spending of the SPP is to ensure that the funding supports the wellbeing of every pupil in the school. Whilst aspects of our provision may not be directly relevant to one particular child at a specific point in time, the pupil may well come to need this in the future. For example, a child may not have any parental deployments one year (thus not need the support of our Learning Mentor), but may experience this, and require support, the next. By using our SPP to provide such a mentor, the option is there for children whenever the need arises.

Advanced Teaching Assistant

Our ATA worked hard to support ASC pupils especially at times of transition to ensure that they had access to lunchtime club and that they were happy at school. She taught them a range of coping strategies. She has since left us in April 2019 and Alison Gilpin, our Learning Mentor, has taken on this role and will continue to support these children.

Military Kids Club Heroes

Our Service Pupil Champion set up a series of monthly events which were offered to the whole family. These ranged from quiz nights to silent discos. They were well-received by adults and children. It increased parental Engagement and we will continue to offer these events as often as possible.

EAL Support

We have a dedicated member of staff who worked with pupils who have English as additional language by providing support in class and by running clubs such as Nepali club. We will continue with this approach

Extended Opportunities

Our children were offered the opportunity to experience a wide range of activities and experiences.. These included attending the Military Kids Heroes annual Remembrance service at Ripon Cathedral and we also took children to an Armed Forces Day event on the garrison. We also employed a member of staff to deliver Forest School sessions and we funded the app Seesaw which increased engagement with parents. We also gave FS2 new starters a book bag to help them to settle in to Le Cateau. We will be continuing with all of the above approaches.