

Pupil Premium Philosophy

The Annex School prides itself in being a high-quality staff rich provision specialising in providing therapeutic support for E.S.B.D. statemented pupils.

The School is annexed alongside the residential home Pembroke House which is designed to accommodate 6 boys between the ages of 10-18 years.

The school is a high cost provision and as such is able to provide a rich and varied curriculum. This centres around subject areas which concentrate on creativity in the form of both Sports and the Arts. This involves Music, Art & Design, Design & Tech, Computing, and P.E.

Sports participation is taken very seriously at The Annex School. Within P.E we are able to offer a dynamic programme of group activities involving Boxing, Mountain Biking, Football, Rock Climbing, Horse Riding, Ski-ing and Water-sports and we also hold a regular Sports Day of challenging events.

We commonly find that due to the specific nature of our pupils; hyperactive, poor social interactive skills, discipline disorders, low self-esteem, minimal motivation and unusually high kinaesthetic traits that additional involvement in sport does enable a very real positive route forward for them and genuinely improve their sense of wellbeing.

For this reason, we seek to use Pupil Premium funds for additional pupil centred Sport lessons. As our pupils are Looked After Children who have experienced a high degree of trauma and have a very high level of needs, we would therefore expect all our pupils to be supported through these additional funds. Indeed, all of our long stay pupils has benefited from this support over the past 10 years and as an alternative special school provision supported by individual authorities, we would hope to receive PPG as stipulated under Government 'conditions of grant' spend.

Additional Sports lessons take the form of personalised 1:1 in depth sports involvement and pair work in a local Sports Centre with our professional sportsman/coach. The aim is for pupils to build a diary/sports project which gains ASDAN Sports credits. The intention is that they learn to master their chosen sport in a professional career intense inspired manner. Pupil premium spends have so far covered Football, Basketball. Ice Skating, Boxing and Horse Riding.

The further positive outcomes of this have resulted in pupils taking part in extracurricula clubs, participation in and completion of college related courses as well as involvement in uniformed services occupations.

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