

Appendix D

West Berkshire Council Schools

Additional High Needs Fund Criteria 2023/24

1. Background

- 1.1 Local authorities can provide additional targeted support to individual schools (maintained and academies) from its high needs block where it would be unreasonable to expect the first £6,000 of support for that schools high needs pupils to be met by them from its (pre 16) formula funding due to an exceptional number of such pupils on its roll.
- 1.2 The guidance from the DfE has stated that the additional funding paid to schools should be formulaic based on the number of high needs pupils in each school. It cannot take into account lower level needs of pupils. The formula or criteria should be as clear and simple as possible, and should be devised so that additional funds are targeted only to a minority of schools which have particular difficulties because of their **disproportionate number** of high needs pupils or their characteristics.
- 1.3 The Schools' Forum agreed methodology is set out below.

2. Methodology and Process

- 2.1 There will be an additional payment to schools where the actual number of pre 16 high needs pupils (i.e. pupils in mainstream receiving top ups) is significantly (1%) above the average of all schools in West Berkshire.
- 2.2 Where the actual number of pre 16 high needs pupils per school is 1% above the West Berkshire average (the average will be calculated using the number of high needs pupils in January 2023 and shown in the pink column on the attachment), each additional high needs pupil will attract £6,000 in addition to the top up. The number of additional pupils will be calculated on a proportionate basis rather than rounding up or down to whole pupil numbers to avoid a funding cliff-edge.
- 2.3 The funding will be paid pro rata each term based on the actual number of pre 16 pupils receiving top ups at that time for the number of days in that term i.e. calculated and paid in April, October and January.
- 2.4 The attached table shows for each school how many high needs pupils equals the average + 1% (the pink column) before qualifying for additional funding in 2023/24. Schools will receive £6,000 per 1.0 high needs pupils they have on roll *above this average number*. Note that funding may be a proportion of £6,000 if the calculation is less than 1.0.
- 2.5 The amount of funding to be set aside for this purpose in the high needs budget will be £40,000.

Cost Centre	SCHOOL	Relevant Data			Indicative Funding		
		Total Pre 16 Pupil No.s (Oct 2020 Census) less RU Pupils	Mainstream Pre 16 Pupil No.s Receiving Top Ups January 2021	Notional SEN Budget 2020/21	Average No. of Pupils Formula Funded	High Needs Pupils Above Average (un rounded)	Indicative Add'l Funding
	Primary				2.33%	1% above LA avg	
	Secondary				2.41%	1% above LA avg	£6,000
91000	Aldermaston Church of England Primary School	142	2	40,510	3.31	0.00	0
91100	Basildon Church of England Primary School	151	3	43,495	3.52	0.00	0
91300	Beedon Church of England Controlled Primary School	50	1	14,162	1.17	0.00	0
91400	Beenham Primary School	54	1	15,732	1.26	0.00	0
91200	Birch Copse Primary School	425	4	78,937	9.92	0.00	0
91500	Bradfield Church of England Primary School	158	3	46,592	3.69	0.00	0
91600	Brightwalton Church of England Aided Primary School	103	1	27,139	2.40	0.00	0
91700	Brimpton Church of England Primary School	58	0	20,116	1.35	0.00	0
91800	Bucklebury Church of England Primary School	111	1	29,499	2.59	0.00	0
91900	Burghfield St. Mary's Church of England Primary School	213	3	59,982	4.97	0.00	0
92000	Calcot Infant School & Nursery	180	2	82,359	4.20	0.00	0
92100	Calcot Junior School	277	3	64,406	6.46	0.00	0
95600	Chaddleworth St. Andrew's C of E Primary School	30	0	12,139	0.70	0.00	0
92400	Chieveley Primary School	203	1	38,794	4.74	0.00	0
95900	Cold Ash St. Mark's Church of England Primary School	177	2	33,638	4.13	0.00	0
92200	Compton Church of England Primary School	187	4	48,466	4.36	0.00	0
92300	Curridge Primary School	99	0	18,259	2.31	0.00	0
92500	Downsway Primary School	213	4	51,998	4.97	0.00	0
92800	Enborne Church of England Primary School	73	0	10,847	1.70	0.00	0
92900	Englefield Church of England Primary School	99	3	17,946	2.31	0.69	4,139
93000	Falkland Primary School	424	5	111,999	9.89	0.00	0
93100	Fir Tree Primary School & Nursery	180	4	61,181	4.20	0.00	0
93200	Francis Baily Primary School	586	9	157,071	13.67	0.00	0
93400	Garland Junior School	206	2	51,346	4.81	0.00	0
93500	Hampstead Norreys Church of England Primary School	88	1	33,234	2.05	0.00	0
93600	Hermitage Primary School	183	3	44,231	4.27	0.00	0
	Highwood Copse Primary School	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0
93700	Hungerford Primary School	359	4	107,544	8.38	0.00	0
92700	The Ilsleys' Primary School	63	0	8,922	1.47	0.00	0
93800	Inkpen Primary School	60	1	22,167	1.40	0.00	0
93900	John Rankin Infant & Nursery School	268	4	74,058	6.25	0.00	0
94000	John Rankin Junior School	351	3	99,113	8.19	0.00	0
94100	Kennet Valley Primary School	193	3	72,888	4.50	0.00	0
94200	Kintbury St. Mary's Church of England Primary School	145	2	37,911	3.38	0.00	0
94300	Lambourn Church of England Primary School	166	3	71,834	3.87	0.00	0
94400	Long Lane Primary School	214	2	70,996	4.99	0.00	0
95800	Mortimer St. John's Church of England Infant School	172	3	47,919	4.01	0.00	0
97500	Mortimer St. Mary's Church of England Junior School	232	5	69,476	5.41	0.00	0
94500	Mrs. Bland's Infant & Nursery School	176	0	55,571	4.11	0.00	0
94600	Pangbourne Primary School	200	2	48,066	4.67	0.00	0
94700	Parsons Down Infant School	129	2	49,637	3.01	0.00	0
94800	Parsons Down Junior School	232	5	63,721	5.41	0.00	0
94900	Purley Church of England Infants School	104	1	32,371	2.43	0.00	0
95000	Robert Sandilands Primary School & Nursery	233	2	79,054	5.44	0.00	0
95100	Shaw-cum-Donnington Church of England Primary School	86	2	30,623	2.01	0.00	0
95200	Shefford Church of England Primary School	53	1	22,518	1.24	0.00	0
95300	Speenhamland Primary School	298	3	105,601	6.95	0.00	0
95400	Springfield Primary School	302	8	77,087	7.05	0.95	5,716
95500	Spurcroft Primary School	450	8	141,248	10.50	0.00	0
95700	St. Finian's Catholic Primary School	194	2	64,726	4.53	0.00	0
97700	St. John the Evangelist Infant & Nursery School	178	1	28,304	4.15	0.00	0
97800	St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School	200	1	69,955	4.67	0.00	0
96200	St. Nicolas Church of England Junior School	256	1	60,131	5.97	0.00	0
96100	St. Pauls Catholic Primary School	315	2	92,478	7.35	0.00	0
96322	Stockcross Church of England Primary School	103	3	28,831	2.40	0.60	3,579
96400	Streatley Church of England VC Primary School	102	2	17,656	2.38	0.00	0
96500	Sulhamstead and Ufton Nerve C of E VA Primary School	100	2	35,644	2.33	0.00	0
99700	Thatcham Park Church of England Primary School	340	5	119,138	7.93	0.00	0
96600	Theale Church of England Primary School	310	5	48,781	7.23	0.00	0
96322	Welford and Wickham Church of England Primary School	88	1	23,008	2.05	0.00	0
96800	Westwood Farm Infant School	177	0	46,553	4.13	0.00	0
96900	Westwood Farm Junior School	237	3	67,712	5.53	0.00	0
97000	Whitelands Park Primary School	358	8	102,735	8.35	0.00	0
98700	The Willows Primary School	370	5	172,694	8.63	0.00	0
99400	The Winchcombe School	441	7	133,513	10.29	0.00	0
97300	Woolhampton Church of England Primary School	106	0	24,305	2.47	0.00	0
97400	Yattendon Church of England Primary School	92	1	16,036	2.15	0.00	0
98900	Denefield School	960	9	329,676	23.17	0.00	0
98800	The Downs School	988	14	333,900	23.84	0.00	0
99000	John O'Gaunt Community Technology College	405	7	251,525	9.77	0.00	0
99100	Kennet School	1,490	18	591,615	35.96	0.00	0
99200	Little Heath School	1,290	15	452,597	31.13	0.00	0
99300	Park House School	969	18	408,945	23.39	0.00	0
99800	St. Bartholomew's School	1,341	16	351,621	32.36	0.00	0
99500	Theale Green Community School	469	6	194,908	11.32	0.00	0
99900	Trinity School & Performing Arts College	953	13	463,072	23.00	0.00	0
99600	The Willink School	970	23	315,771	23.41	0.00	0
	PRIMARY TOTAL	13,123	175		306	2	13,434
	SECONDARY TOTAL	9,835	139		237	0	0
	TOTAL ALL SCHOOLS	22,958	314		544	2	13,434