



ABERCROMBY EARLY YEARS PUPIL PREMIUM STRATEGY 2021-2022

RATIONALE

At Abercromby, we have a small percentage of children eligible for EYPP, although most of our children in Willow Tree are eligible for funded 2YO places. We have children disadvantaged in other ways, e.g. being part of an asylum seeker family and/or through being at beginner stages of learning English. Our aim is to use our relatively small amount of EYPP to provide experiences and resources that our EYPP children wouldn't otherwise access, as this will then also support other disadvantaged children. Our aim is to fund experiences that will give the children something to talk about, helping to develop their communication and language skills, and increasing their Cultural Capital.

In addition the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic has impacted on children's mental health and well being and at the start of the school year, many children are showing low levels of well being and involvement, as measured by the Leuven Scales.

Our aim is to use our EYPP to provide experiences and resources that many of our children eligible for EYPP wouldn't otherwise access. This will also support other disadvantaged children too. By providing these exciting experiences, we anticipate that this will give the children something thrilling that they just have to communicate about, will support increased levels of well being and involvement, and also enhance their Cultural Capital.

Each year we have 6-10 children in receipt of Early Years Pupil Premium (£302/child) and so expect to receive between £1,800 to £3,000 (usually confirmed sometime in the Autumn Term)

PLANNED SPEND

The projects below are listed in priority order and will be taken on in that order when we know our final amount of EYPP

1. Virtual or in person pantomime Cost: £600
2. Bespoke storytelling visit to Unity Theatre: £600
3. Eggucation ethical rare breed chick hatching project: Cost £330
4. Exotic animal visit: £300
5. Aqualease rock pool experience: Cost £600
6. Coaches for Summer outing e.g. Walton Hall Gardens: Cost £600