

PUPIL PREMIUM 2014 – 2015

£102,000

How have we used this funding in St Leo's and Southmead Primary School?

We have employed an additional Teacher to support specific children in Years 3 and 4. Mrs Ronald teaches small groups of children focusing upon a particular target or gap in the children's learning. This accelerates their progress and enables the children to move on to the next step. Some children only need a little bit of additional help and then they can achieve great things!

In addition Mrs Ronald does a weekly After School Club for children, which extends their learning time in school and enables the children the opportunity to consolidate their learning and have help with their homework.

We have made some personalised home packs with specific learning targets in mind for parents to use with their children at home. Her Majesty's Inspector was very impressed with the packs and the parent/teacher meetings organised to explain how to use the packs!

New resources have been purchased to use throughout the age range all of which enhance and enrich the children's learning.

Breakfast and Early Morning Club is very well used by many of our parents/carers who work and who need their children to be in school early. In addition to this we also organise for some children to attend the clubs to help improve attendance and punctuality. If a child is not in school or if a child is late – he or she misses invaluable learning.

We have extended the use of our P.E. Coaches to also provide support at lunch times to help children learn how to play team games and develop positive self esteem. Children who have poor self esteem also lack confidence. Every child in this school has a talent and confidence in learning helps him/her to develop talents and achieve great things in life. We want all of the children to be ambitious.

The Foundation Stage is the most important part of your child's education – it is where it all starts. The word "Foundation" is used because all learning can then be built upon what is taught in the Foundation Stage. Children are adventurous and curious and it is important to use this enthusiasm to help your child learn. Parents ask us "How can we help our children learn at the ages 3, 4 and 5? We have organised a programme of Family Learning Workshops for parents/carers of children in the Foundation Stage to help parents/carers with the following:-

- Helping my child with Maths
- Helping my child with English
- Positive Behaviour
- Art and Craft
- Healthy Eating

The children will go out on trips to broaden their Cultural skills; Sports development; Drama talents; Geographical and Historical skills. The trips enrich the children's learning and also provide many fun memories for the future. The funding has enabled us to organise many more trips all of which impact upon experiences outside of the classroom in a positive way.
