



**Education  
Trust**

## **Statement on Disadvantage**

At Riviera Education Trust we recognise and celebrate difference. We understand that some children begin and continue their education at a disadvantage, and that these disadvantages can hamper their achievements. We aim to remove the impact of disadvantage for all our pupils.

Any child eligible to receive the Pupil Premium Grant, those with Special Educational Needs and children who are looked after (or have previously been looked after) by the Local Authority are deemed to be disadvantaged by the Department for Education and extra funding is made available to support those children.

Our trust understands that disadvantage may take many forms, including, but not limited to: children on child protection plans, or engaged with social care; children who have suffered bereavement; children with a parent in prison; those who are siblings of children with Special Educational Needs; children whose families are engaged with Early or Targeted Help Plans; children with high levels of absence; and children whose families are in any form of financial or personal difficulty.

As a trust we aim to provide support and remove the impact of disadvantage for our pupils. As such, our Heads of School consider the needs of each child in their setting, and where they identify a specific disadvantage, they will provide additional support to the child or their family. Such support may include: financial support for trips and residential; pastoral support; help with uniform; additional in-class support; access to free or reduced, before and after school care, including extra-curricular clubs; provision of extra-curricular lessons in music; or any of the support offered to pupils eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant, as detailed on each school's website.

We aim to remove disadvantage in all its forms, so that our children are inspired in school today, and contribute to a better society tomorrow.