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To whom it may concern,

In the Autumn 2025 school term, the Pupil Premium Policy Team at the Department for Education organised a series of pupil premium webinars. These events were designed to support school leaders to make best use of the pupil premium, by featuring sector expert speakers and showcasing primary and secondary schools who are doing well to improve the educational outcomes of their disadvantaged pupils.

Gosforth Academy has an average Attainment 8 score of 45.6 in the 2023/24 academic year, compared to 34.6 for disadvantaged pupils nationally. We spoke with their Principal and members of the school leadership team, to understand more about their pupil premium strategy.

We invited Gosforth Academy to be a case study secondary school and to present on their pupil premium strategy at our 'Selecting effective approaches to maximise the impact of pupil premium webinar' on 2nd October 2025.

Their Principal presented at the webinar on Gosforth Academy's approach to using pupil premium and also participated in a joint-Q&A session answering viewer questions at the end of the event.

The event was well-attended and we received plenty of positive feedback from viewers on the practical examples provided by our case study schools.

We are grateful to Gosforth Academy for being willing to showcase how they use pupil premium at this webinar event.

Yours sincerely,

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