



Catch-Up Premium

The literacy and numeracy catch-up premium gives state-funded schools additional funding to support Year 7 pupils who did not achieve the expected standard in reading and/or maths at the end of Key Stage 2 (KS2). The Catch-up Premium funding is to be used by schools to deliver a range of Literacy and Numeracy interventions, giving students valuable support to bring them up to speed with their peers, so that they are more likely to succeed at secondary school.

In 2017-18, schools no longer received funding per catch-up pupil but instead received the same amount of catch up premium as in 2016-17, adjusted to reflect any changes in the size of the year group at the start of October. The money is received by the school in the Spring Term.

Overview of the school 2017-18	
Total Number of students on roll	975
Total Number of Year 7 students 2017-18	185
Number of students below SS of 100 in reading at the end of KS2	69
Number of students below SS of 90 in reading at the end of KS2	14
Number of students below SS of 100 in maths at the end of KS2	66
Number of students below SS of 90 in maths at the end of KS2	18
Number of students below SS of 90 in both reading and maths at the end of KS2	8
Total amount of funding received for Catch-up Premium Grant	£17,465

Overview of the school 2018-19	
Total Number of students on roll	1042
Total Number of Year 7 students 2017-18	236
Number of students below SS of 100 in reading at the end of KS2	81
Number of students below SS of 90 in reading at the end of KS2	17
Number of students below SS of 100 in maths at the end of KS2	76
Number of students below SS of 90 in maths at the end of KS2	18
Number of students below SS of 90 in both reading and maths at the end of KS2	10
Total amount of funding received for Catch-up Premium Grant	tbc

Due to our increased numbers, we would expect to receive more catch-up funding in 2018-19 than in the previous academic year.

Summary of Literacy and Numeracy Catch-up strategies 2017/18

- The Accelerated Reading programme is used for all students.
- In addition, Y7 students in need of most support with their reading, read aloud to Sixth Form students once per week.
- Students who arrive with a scaled score of less than 90 in reading and/or maths are given intensive support with an external company during the Autumn Term.
- 1-2-1 tuition in either English or maths has also been organised for students identified as needing the most support including the use of PIXL Code resources.
- Timetabled literacy lessons take place once a week.
- Form tutors deliver a literacy session as part of tutor time once per week.
- In October of Year 7, all parents are invited to attend a session on how to help their child with literacy and numeracy at home.
- Transition work with Primary Schools to help support an improved and appropriate KS3 curriculum for Year 7.

Summary of Literacy and Numeracy progress 2017/18

- The Accelerated Reader programme has proved successful with 65% of Year 7 students achieving an improvement in reading age. 13% of these students made a significant increase of 2 years or more in their reading age.
- The external booster classes in numeracy saw 88% of students improve their raw score from initial assessment. The company were unable to provide similar data for the literacy strand and, as such, we will be using a different provider in September.
- Literacy interventions have been successful with 75% of students who arrived with a SS of less than 90 in reading making progress; 63% of these students made at least two sub-levels of progress.
- Numeracy figures are slightly behind with only 50% of students who arrived with a SS of less than 90 in maths making progress; 25% of these students made at least two sub-levels of progress. This will group will remain a key focus for teachers.

Next steps 2018-19

- The Accelerated Reading programme widened into Years 7, 8 and 9.
- Introduction of DEAR time in Years 7, 8 and 9
- Letterbox Club introduced for both disadvantaged and Catch-Up students in Year 7.
- Extension of reading support into Year 8 for key students with both Sixth Form and Year 10 mentors.
- Literacy and numeracy booster classes to support students in September via PETXI
- Further transition work with Primary Schools to help support an improved and appropriate KS3 curriculum for Year 7 including the new Wickford Teaching and Learning partnership.