

Covid-19 Catch-up Premium

South Hunsley School and Sixth Form



This document lays out how South Hunsley School and Sixth Form plans to use allocated funding to support students to catch up lost teaching time. As we know, children and young people across the country have experienced unprecedented disruption to their education because of the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19). In response, the government announced £1 billion of funding to help minimise the impact. Further details can be found via the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/catch-up-premium-coronavirus-covid-19/catch-up-premium>

School funding allocations are calculated on a per-student basis, providing each mainstream school with a total of £80 for each student in Reception through to Year 11. This means that South Hunsley School and Sixth Form will receive approximately £141,500 for the 2020-21 academic year.

Whilst schools can use the funding in a way that best suits their cohorts and context, the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) has published a guide to effective evidence-based approaches that will best help students catch up on missed education. This guide has been used to help inform the strategies we have chosen.

EEF Strategy 1 - Teaching and whole school strategies (supporting great teaching; assessment and feedback)

- Additional staff training has been provided with a focus on effective assessment and curriculum design so that teachers more effectively identify gaps in knowledge, and are able to amend subject curricula to take account of, and respond to lost learning.
- Extensive and ongoing CPD on the use of Microsoft Teams for both 'live' and 'on demand' lessons to ensure high quality continuity of education for individuals who are isolating, or during periods or national lockdown.

EEF Strategy 2 - Targeted approaches (small group tuition; intervention programmes; extended school time)

- All eligible students in years 7, 8 and 9 have been invited to access to the National Tutoring Programme. This strategy means students are entitled to receive additional tuition in Maths or English, in small groups of 3 students per tutor. Students complete an hour of tuition per week over a 15-week period.
- Students in Year 11 and year 13 have a personalised timetable of additional 1-hour lessons that are held after the normal school day has ended. These lessons are taught by subject specialists and focus on key knowledge, concepts and skills that were covered during the first lockdown.
- Additional after-school transport has been provided each day to enable all students to access tuition and catch-up lessons that are held after the normal school day has ended.

EEF Strategy 3 - Wider strategies (access to technology; supporting parents and carers)

- Over 100 devices have been purchased to supplement those provided by the DfE, so that students are able to continue to access remote education when isolating, or during periods of national lockdown.
- We have invested in more than 1000 published revision guides, English texts and other subject-specific resources and study aids which have been distributed to students in Years 11 and 13.