

Catch-up Premium: Coronavirus 2020-2021 academic year – Ashdon Primary School

Introduction

The government announced £1 billion of funding to support children and young people to catch up lost time after school closure. This is especially important for the most vulnerable and disadvantaged backgrounds. This funding includes:

- a one-off universal £650 million catch up premium for the 2020 to 2021 academic year to ensure that schools have the support they need to help all pupils make up for lost teaching time
- a £350 million National Tutoring Programme to provide additional, targeted support for those children and young people who need the most help

The Catch-up Premium is funded at £80 per pupil (for pupils who were attending at our school in October 2020). Ashdon Primary School had 69 pupils in total last October, so we shall receive £5,520 in total.

We have identified reading, speech & language, maths and mental health as areas requiring Catch-up Premium expenditure.

Planned expenditure for 2020-21

Teaching and whole-school strategies objectives	Action	Cost	Evaluation
Identify gaps in Year R's speech and language understanding, and for 3 older pupils.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Communicate speech therapist to conduct Wellcomm screening with all Year R pupils. • Use Communicate speech therapist to conduct speech and language assessments on 3 other pupils. 	£486	
Teaching and support staff have a greater understanding on how to address gaps in children's speech & language.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff attend training session/s with Communicate speech therapist. 	£250	
Teaching staff have a greater understanding on how to support pupils with their mental health needs by training to become a Mental Health Champion.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend online training sessions for 6.5 hours organised by Place2Be. Training is free, but the cost reflects using supply teachers to release staff to attend. 	£960	

Targeted approach objectives	Action	Cost	Evaluation
Address gaps in understanding in English and mathematics.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teaching Assistant to lead additional catch-up interventions with small groups or individuals. 	£1148.00	
Address gaps in understanding in English and mathematics.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15 session tuition block for 5 pupils, subsidised through the National Tutoring Programme. 	£1125.00	

Wider strategies objective	Action	Cost	Evaluation
Parents have a wider range to reading books to access at home.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purchase the additional Pro Independent Books subscription for the online Bug Club platform, so that the children have access to approximately double the amount of online reading books. 	£1153.99	
Parents have access to technology when their children are learning at home.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purchase an additional laptop. 	£399.00	