

Coronavirus Premium

What is the Coronavirus (COVID-19) catch-up premium?

The Government is providing funding to cover a one-off universal catch-up premium for the 2020 to 2021 academic year. It aims to support pupils to catch up for lost learning so schools can meet the curriculum expectations for the next academic year. We will receive £80 per pupil on roll in stages over the course of the course of the academic year which will be approximately £144,000. This is a special one-off arrangement for the 2020-2021 academic year, and forms part of the Government's £1 billion catch up package.

How do we plan to use the money?

Schools can spend the funding in the most effective way for their pupils. Our planned spending is as follows:

This is a live document and will be amended as the year progresses.

Measure	Rationale	Projected Cost
Purchase and set up laptops for Remote Learning	Parental survey indicates that additional devices were needed to ensure that students had sole access to a laptop. This measure will ensure that all Bitterne Park students can engage with remote learning in the event of school closure or partial closure. These laptops will also be used to support intervention strategies that will be implemented over the year. A total of 135 laptops were purchased.	£50,000
Laptop Trolley x2 and headsets to support Keyworker and Vulnerable Students for on - site learning	To ensure that sufficient laptops can be charged for on-site use for the KW / Vulnerable group and that headsets are of a standard that can be used to fully engage with lessons.	£7,000
Curriculum support	To enhance the on-line offer in Maths (Hegarty Maths); implementation of an online literacy assessment tool; Funding of CAT 4 Tests for Y7 to enable gaps in learning to be identified and strategies to be implemented.	£8,000
CPD	27 cpd opportunities identified to enhance skills in either curriculum areas (14 training opportunities) or pastoral areas (13 training opportunities) that will support students to catch up in key areas of their pastoral and academic aspects of their education.	£10,000
On Line Tutoring	To support children in KS4 to catch up on identified gaps in learning.	£5,000
Intervention Coordinator and Maths TLR structure	Continuation of the temporary TLR structure in Maths to support intervention and T&L in KS3. Intervention Coordinator in post to co-ordinate and evaluate the on-line provision and staff the sessions.	£6,000
Appointment of 3 Teaching Assistants	Mid academic year appointments to support students in closing gaps in their education	£49,000

Appointment of Attendance Officer	This has enabled the Pastoral Support Workers to engage in additional 1:1 and small group work to support identified emotional needs that were identified during the lockdown and post lockdown period.	£15,000
Installation of enhanced phone system	To ensure that all staff are equipped to make calls securely from school or from home if they are required to work from home.	£1,000

Total Spend: £151,000

The assessment of the impact of this expenditure will be assessed through internal assessment data that is monitored as set out in the assessment plan.