

Year 7 catch up grant

We are given additional funding for every Year 7 student who arrives at school with a Maths and English level below age related expectations. The money is paid to the school at the end of February, for the students in that academic year, i.e. Year 7 2017/18 money is awarded in February 2018. In the period September 2017 to July 2018 this amounted to £12,650 for 16 learners.

The additional funds were spent as follows:

Activity	Amount	Intended outcome	Impact	Next steps
Fresh start lessons – one hour of literacy /day 2 small groups with qualified teachers, trained to deliver the programme.	£9,650	To improve the literacy levels of students	10 out of 16 students have improved their standardised scores in reading; 11 out of 16 have improved their scores in spelling. 4 students have improved their spelling standardised scores to the upper average boundaries.	Fresh Start has demonstrated that it has a positive impact on literacy levels. Literacy intervention will continue next year. Accelerated reader to be introduced.
Additional numeracy lessons, 6 hours per fortnight with qualified Maths teachers.	£3000	To improve basic numeracy	8 out 16 students have improved their standardised core in basic numeracy.	The Numeracy intervention has had a positive impact. This approach to reinforcing students' basic skills will continue next year.

The plan for September 2018 to July 2019 is as follows:

Activity	Amount	Intended outcome	Outcome	Next steps
Facilitate staffing for smaller nurture group in Year 7.	£9,650	To provide targeted quality first teaching, with specific focus on improving literacy and numeracy skills		
Additional Literacy lessons, 1 hour per week.	£3000	To improve basic literacy skills		

