

Year 7 catch up grant

We are given additional funding of £500 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 in March, for the students in that academic year, i.e. Year 7 2016/17 money is awarded in March 2017. In the period September 2016 to July 2017 this amounted to £9,000 for 16 learners.

The additional funds were spent as follows:

Activity	Amount	Intended outcome	Outcome	Next steps
Fresh start lessons – one hour of literacy /day 2 small groups with qualified teachers, trained to deliver the programme.	£7,000	To improve the literacy levels and reading comprehension skills of students.	8 out of 16 students have improved their standardised scores in reading; 10 out of 15 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 and will continue.
Additional numeracy lessons, 3 hours a week with a qualified teacher, experienced in teaching SEN.	£2, 000	To improve basic numeracy skills	7 out 15 students have improved their standardised core in basic numeracy.	The Numeracy intervention has had a positive impact and will continue, to be delivered next year by members of the Maths department. 1:1 Precision teaching will also be introduced to Year 7 pupils.

The plan for September 2017 to July 2018 is as follows:

Activity	Amount	Intended outcome	Outcome	Next steps
Fresh start lessons – one hour of literacy /day 2 small groups with qualified teachers, trained to deliver the programme.	£9,500	To improve the literacy levels of students		
Additional numeracy lessons, 6 hours per fortnight with qualified Maths teachers.	£2000	To improve basic numeracy		

