

## YEAR 7 CATCH UP PREMIUM

In the academic Year 2018/19 we received £7,593 in respect of the Year 7 Catch Up Premium. Our review of the school's Year 7 Catch Up Premium strategy is set out below (the next review will take place in July 2020).

This money has and will continue to be used by the school to provide:

- Units of sound multi-sensory reading intervention programme.
- One – One tuition.
- Reading Recovery Programme.
- Homework Club.
- Dynamo Maths.
- Maths Club.
- Saturday Morning Classes.
- Social Club
- Social Thinking Skills Group.
- Spellzone

Our reasons for using this approach are:

**Units of sound** is a phonics programme designed for pupils with a reading age below 8 years. It focuses on reading, spelling, memory and dictation in order to improve the skills of the pupil.

**One-One tuition** is carried out on an individual basis for those pupils who need specific literacy intervention.

**The Reading Recovery Programme** is designed for pupils who have a reading age between 9 – 10 years. The aim of this course is to improve the pupil's ability to decode words, to improve reading fluency and to improve comprehension skills. Reading Recovery sessions are held three times a week during registration.

**Homework Club** is held three evenings a week after school between 3.30 and 4.30. The purpose of the club is to help those pupils who would find it difficult to complete their homework at home.

**Dynamo Maths** is a comprehensive set of online resources that effectively address the difficulties faced by pupils. Moreover, once these tasks have been identified, it helps pupils to overcome their difficulties by introducing them to tasks which have small steps and this helps to increase their level of self- confidence.

**Maths Club** is to give extra support to pupils who are weak at maths and to enable these pupils to feel confident in their mathematical ability. Maths Club is held three times a week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

**Saturday Morning Classes** are held for one and a half hours during the Spring term to help pupils develop their Literacy skills in particular.

**Social Club** is held every lunchtime in G9 by a member of the SEND staff. They provide a safe space for pupils who do not want to go to the playground, perhaps because of social communication difficulties or they just prefer a quieter space. Money is used to buy resources for the room including books, board games, coloured pens and pencils.

**The Social Thinking Skills Group** is designed for pupils who have difficulties with their communication and social skills. It is delivered by the school's autism trained LSA and follows an American accredited programme.

### **Spellzone**

Spellzone is held three times a week and pupils complete a variety of activities and games designed to improve their spelling. As the programme moves on, the spellings become progressively harder and more challenging.

The school has assessed the effect of the Catch Up Premium by regularly assessing pupils' attainment via formal examinations and more ephemeral summative and formative assessment methods. The specific effect was:

Literacy Catch-Up

- Literacy Catch-Up pupils made 0.04 points progress more than their peers in English.
- Literacy Catch-Up pupils made 0.1 points progress more than their peers across all subjects.

Numeracy Catch-Up

- Numeracy Catch-Up pupils made 0.6 points progress more than their peers in mathematics.
- Numeracy Catch-Up pupils made 0.1 points progress more than their peers across all subjects.

