



COVID-19 Catch Up Premium

2020-21

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:

Funding allocations:

School allocations are calculated on a per pupil basis

Alternative provision will receive £240 per place

Links Academy Hatfield has been allocated £12,480 for the academic year 2020/21

Autumn/Spring payment received is £7,280

Schools are to use the funding for specific activities that suit their cohort and circumstances to support their pupils to catch up for lost teaching over the previous months, in line with the curriculum expectations for the next academic year.

Spending Plan for 2020/21

Intervention	Summary	Funding	Effectiveness and Focus
Chromebooks	Devices to enable students to access a wider range of learning materials.	6 Google Chromebooks plus Licenses £1310.40 £114.00	Students can access online materials. Engagement and motivation to learn is also improved when students have access to technology.

Literacy Intervention	<p>That Reading Thing (TRT)</p> <p>Small group work or individual work with students to improve literacy and reading age.</p>	<p>£960.00</p> <p>(Staff training)</p>	<p>Students who have been identified as having a significantly low reading age have been offered the TRT intervention to help improve reading age and reading strategies.</p> <p>This strategy has begun during lockdown and will continue throughout this academic year to help close the learning gap for key students.</p>
Healthy Lifestyle Lead	<p>Healthy lifestyles lead to mentor and advise students on a range of issues that impact mood and ability to access learning</p>	<p>Half day session weekly</p> <p>£4427.00</p>	<p>All students have access to Healthy lifestyles lead Richard Boxer. He attends Hatfield for a half day session once a week.</p> <p>Students are on a timetable on a weekly basis to have individual personalised sessions.</p> <p>All have developed positive working relationships and have coping strategies and increased levels of engagement with learning.</p> <p>Some sessions have also led to further support being provided and led to referrals to external agencies.</p>
Attendance Strategy	<p>Attendance consultant leading on strategy for key students who are isolating alongside Pastoral Leaders home visits to make sure work is regularly dropped off/collected</p>	<p>£10,500</p>	<p>All students who are self isolating or in quarantine were contacted regularly with an individual work pack created to keep them up to date.</p> <p>Students who were really struggling with attendance welfare checks, professional meetings, daily calls both pastoral and academic.</p>

			<p>Online lessons were conducted by staff where students had the facilities available. Chromebooks available for student connectivity.</p> <p>Taxis, train/bus passes have been put in place to remove any potential barriers to attendance.</p>
Testing Strategy	Building a discreet centre for testing staffed by professional medical personnel	<p>£3,800</p> <p>£900</p>	<p>A testing centre built within the hall for all covid testing. This has been staffed by a mixture of school staff and trained medical professionals. This has allowed for a robust testing schedule.</p> <p>Leading to students feeling more supported and assured in the school's approach to dealing with covid safety. This has enabled students to feel comfortable and safe in the school environment.</p>
Total Budget 2020/2021		£22,011.40	