

Yr 7 Literacy and Numeracy 'Catch up' Strategy and Funding Report

The Year 7 catch up funding provides schools with funding for students in Year 7 who did not achieve 100 Standardised Score (equivalent to Level 4) in Reading and/or Maths at the end of Key Stage 2.

Fairfield High School was allocated £1,362 in funding for students who met the criteria in either Reading or Maths. This funding, as the name suggests, is to help these students to 'catch up' with their peers during their first year at Fairfield.

The objectives of the funding:

- To close the attainment gap by providing intensive literacy and numeracy support to students entitled to catch up Premium
- To raise self-esteem and aspirations of students entitled to Catch up Premium
- To enhance existing provision
- To identify concerns and target intervention and support to accelerate progress
- To ensure that parents are informed and involved where appropriate.

How we spent the 2016-17 funding:

| Item | Intervention Cost |
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| Specialist TA led intervention group. (Literacy) | £1006.85 |
| Catch up numeracy intervention My Maths IT package. | £550.00 |
| Specialist teacher led 1:1 intervention sessions.(Maths) | £522.00 |
| Total Spending | £2078.85 |

The number of students that entered Fairfield with a level of attainment below 100 Standardised Score was higher than previous years, however the 'Catch up' funding allocated by the Department of Education was lower. At Fairfield we believe that everyone should be given the opportunity to attain a satisfactory outcome and therefore more money was spent, than was allocated, in order that all students eligible were given the opportunity to progress.

What effect did the expenditure have on the attainment and progress of students for whom it was allocated?

| Success measure | Impact |
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| The % of students who moved from below 100 Standardised Score at the beginning of Year 7 to 100 or above at the end of Year 7. | 98% of students eligible for catch up premium are working at 100 or above at the end of Year 7. |
| The % of students who moved from below 100 Standardised Score at the beginning of Year 7 in Maths to 100 or above at the end of Year 7. | 72% of students eligible for catch up premium are working at 100 or above at the end of Year 7 and 100% have made progress in Maths. |

Those students who were unable to attain 100 Standardised Score will be given further support and interventions in Year 8.

Year 7 Catch Up Funding 2017 – 2018

Due to the decision by the Department of Education to not use the existing system of Levels of Achievement we are unable, at this time, to say how many students will be eligible for 'Catch Up' funding in the next academic year or how much 'Catch Up' Funding will be made available to support each student. However, as always, we will ensure that students who need support in literacy and numeracy will obtain support and we plan to implement the following interventions.

How is it planned to spend any funding we are allocated?

| Item / intervention | Cost |
|--|-----------------|
| Catch up numeracy intervention My Maths IT package subscription. | £550.00 |
| Specialist TA led intervention group. | £ 1000.00 |
| Total Spending | £1550.00 |