



Wark C of E Primary Covid Catch-up Premium

What is COVID catch-up premium?

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:

A one-off universal £650 million catch up premium for the 2020 to 2021 academic year to ensure that schools have the support they need to help all pupils make up for lost teaching time.

School allocations will be calculated on a per-pupil basis. Mainstream schools will get £80 for each pupil in from reception to year 11 inclusive. The money does not need to be spent on every child, with schools allowed to allocate money as they see fit.

Where we stand post-lockdown

Generally, children have been able to maintain their previous attainment target, due to our robust curriculum that builds depth over two years, rather than one. We predicted that children would broadly maintain an expected level, with children achieving greater-depth dipping slightly to the expected standard. Where children followed the curriculum and lessons provided by the school during the lockdown, more progress has been achieved. The main area to be affected was writing.

As a school, we plan to give every child access to 2 specialist writing projects after school with teachers. These will be project-based, i.e. creating a newspaper or writing letters to elderly people in the village. In the spring term, any child that still hasn't closed the gap will be offered 1:1 or very small group precision teaching to help catch up in after-school clubs. Two pupil premium children in year 6 are currently taking part in weekly SATS booster sessions every Monday after school. This will be alongside additional booster sessions during the school day.

We will receive £3520 in part payments over the course of the year.

Our spending

Activity	Expenditure	Total
Greater-depth newspaper project	2 sessions @ £30 per session per pupil. (37 pupils)	£2,220
Year 6 pupil premium SATS boosters	25 sessions @ £30 per session per pupil (2 pupils)	£1,500
Less able catch-up sessions Spring term (Predicted)	4 sessions @ £30 per session per pupil (5 pupils)	£600
Small group spelling booster	5x30 mins p/w, 10 weeks (2 pupils)	£300
Total		£4,620