



COVID 19 Catch Up Funding

What is Catch-up Funding?

Children and young people across the country have experienced unprecedented disruption to their education as a result of coronavirus (COVID-19). Those from the most vulnerable and disadvantaged backgrounds will be among those hardest hit.

The government has announced £1 billion of funding to support children and young people to catch up. This 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.

Allocation

School allocations will be calculated on a per pupil basis, providing each mainstream school with a total of £80 for each pupil in years reception through to 11.

Wellfield High School will receive £26,080 for the 2020/21 academic year.

Utilisation

Schools should use this funding for specific activities to support their pupils to catch up for lost teaching over the previous months, in line with the guidance on curriculum expectations for the next academic year. Schools have the flexibility to spend their funding in the best way for their cohort and circumstances.

To support schools to make the best use of the funding, the EEF has published a support guide: <https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/covid-19-resources/covid-19-support-guide-for-schools/#nav-covid-19-supportguide-for-schools1>

Strategy	Rationale	Action	Total Cost	Assessment of Impact
Additional Staffing Teaching and Learning Lead	Quality first teaching makes the biggest difference to students learning	Senior Leader responsible for ensuring quality first teaching within the classroom	£19,950	Staff training for developing remote learning showed an increase in personalisation of lessons and student engagement
Bedrock Learning Vocabulary Package	Catch up for Vocabulary and literacy for all KS3 students	Deploy package for use within KS3 English lessons and homework as part of the Reading Strategy	£2,162	Ongoing impact to be assessed
Reading Strategy	Students out of school from March 2020 till September 2020 will need to be reintroduced to reading	Purchase new English Class Readers Staff training for catch up for reluctant readers and students reading below age related standard	£1,241	Ongoing following staff training

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Specific catch up resources	Each student has access to personal copy of resources	Subject work books purchased	£1,262	
Focus on feedback and questioning within Lessons	As teachers are unable to move around the classroom and give personal feedback and directed question other methods have to be employed	Purchase of mini whiteboards and pens for each student	£249	Student engagement in learning remained high as teachers were able to see each student response to questioning and individual working
School Cloud Parents Evening System	Ensuring that Parental communication is continued	Purchase licence Train staff on system Inform Parents Target hard to reach parents	£493	Parents evening attendance has increased on pre 2020 face to face parents' evenings Feedback from parents and staff is that the system is efficient, allows parents to access from different locations and should be maintained post Covid
Improve Remote Learning during January – March 2021	Ensuring students engage with remote learning during second period of national lockdown	Train staff to personalise their lessons Specific resources purchased visualisers and graphic pads	£745	Feedback from students that remote learning lessons had improved and become more personalised Completion rate of remote learning tasks improved over the period