

COVID Catch-Up Fund - 2020-21

The school was allocated £75,360 for students in Years 7-11 in the academic year 2020-21. This equated to £80 per student.

The money is to support students in catching up on missed learning and has been used, or is planned to be used, in a variety of ways, some of which are listed below:

- Online digital learning platforms across most curriculum areas for each key stage. Example: in English this has included Educake (Key Stages 3 and 4) and Tassomai (A level English).
- A level textbooks based on existing reading lists.
- An online platform (Unifrog) to support careers education.
- The purchase of an online library of books (e-Platform) to support reading.
- A wide variety of physical resources have been purchased to support learning, including, for example, revision books; additional stationery and art materials.
- 32 laptops have been purchased to support remote learning and learning on the return to school.
- Dongles have also been purchased to support internet access for students whilst working at home.
- Ear buds have been provided to students to support work being undertaken in IT lessons or whilst working online.
- We have employed tutors to support identified students in Year 11.
- We have worked with Hounslow Music Service to ensure equality of access to music tuition.
- We have allocated a modest financial allowance to two members of staff to support the ongoing work being undertaken in planning and carrying out catch-up work.
- We have also employed an additional member of staff to support the provision of IT in school and during remote periods of education.
- We have also utilised funding on physical resources to aid social distancing whilst on site, including the provision of a new social space and outdoor furniture.

We will assess the effectiveness of the expenditure on the education attainment of students by examining:

- Attendance figures for students and persistent absentee rates.
- Student progress measures for Key Stage 3 and 4 students.
- GCSE attainment for students taking examinations (or for centre assessed grades) in the summer of 2021 and 2022.
- The retention of students at GCSE and into continuing education at Key Stage 5.