
Belfairs Academy



COVID Catch Up Premium Spending

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COVID Catch-Up Premium at Belfairs Academy

Estimated Catch – Up Premium funding £100,400

The COVID Catch-Up Premium will be used by the Academy to deliver additional tuition or intensive support to all that require it. The aim being to ensure that all students have the opportunity to be brought up to speed so that they are more likely to succeed.

During the period for which the Academy was closed to students we identified and implemented a number of strategies to support our students holistically. We therefore will use the allocated funding to continue to offer the same level of support for all the students within the Academy.

COVID Funding Strategies 2020-2021

- Accelerated Reader – small intervention groups across all year groups
- Track and monitor reading levels through STAR Testing
- Purchase of Shakespeare support guides for those who have low literacy levels
- Handwriting Club
- Small Intervention groups to support with reading
- Purchase of text for LRC for those with low literacy levels
- Alternative Curriculum Provision for those with low literacy – additional English and Reading in place of a MFL
- Accelerated Maths – small intervention groups for Years 7 and 8
- Track and monitor numeracy levels through STAR Testing
- Tutor Time activities – focusing on numeracy and literacy
- Homework support club
- Enrichment activities and sessions – enhancing and supporting the curriculum, led and delivered by 3 Enrichment Leads
- Co-ordination and delivery of work packs to all students that have been and will need to self-isolate
- Use of Co-educators to support students that are working remotely – this takes the form of both daily phone calls as well as differentiating material and ensuring that all students can access
- Use of Well-being team to make daily phone calls to vulnerable students to support positive mental health
- Delivery of Year 11 Intervention sessions via TEAMS at the weekend and during the school holidays
- Purchase of revision guides for Year 11 students across multiple subject areas
- Additional staff in classes to support learning and work with small groups to close gaps in knowledge
- Baseline Testing across all subjects and year groups to identify any gaps in knowledge
- PLC's used after testing to provide students with comprehensive feedback of any gaps within their knowledge

- Counselling put in place for students that have been identified as needing additional support due to the impact of COVID19
- Extended the use of TEAMS and Office365 to ensure that all staff were able to access and deliver both LIVE and pre-recorded lessons
- Revision Centre – populating and maintaining a SharePoint site with material so that all students could access and refer to at any point
- Provided trays of basic equipment for students to use across all year bubbles
- Purchase of additional cleaning materials to ensure that all practical equipment can be used safely and effectively
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