

2019/20 Catch Up Funding - Action Plan

Aim: To ensure that students who have not met the required standards in English and maths at KS2 make good progress in these areas by the end of year 7

Rationale: The literacy and numeracy catch-up premium gives schools additional funding from the Department of Education to support Year 7 pupils who did not achieve a scaled score of at least 100 in reading and/or mathematics at the end of Key Stage 2 (KS2).

When students arrive at St Mark's Academy in September we assess the individual needs of each student eligible for the Catch-Up premium, through both baseline testing and careful analysis of their KS2 data. We then devise a programme designed to help these students make rapid progress throughout their first year of Secondary school; this year this consists of a combination of in-class support, whole-school strategies and targeted intervention:

Objective	Spend	Action	Success Criteria
Using a TA to support high quality teaching and learning for Catch Up students	1. £19,400	1. In-class support and weekly homework club offered to CUP students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All CUP reading students to increase their reading age by a minimum of 18 months - All CUP maths students to increase their KS2 score by a minimum of 10 points - Student voice to indicate that 80% of CUP students feel well supported in their core subjects
Skills Academy	1. £100 2. £200	1. A subject specialist will deliver the National Literacy Trust's 'Skills Academy' programme to a key group of CUP students on a termly basis 2. Students who attend over 90% of sessions will be invited to a celebration event each half-term	
PiXL Microwave	1. £0 (included in school's annual membership)	1. PiXL microwave will be used to analyse KS2 data. This will then be used to inform teaching, weekly intervention and differentiation following the DTT model, in addition to whole-school numeracy strategies. 2. A second set of testing will be used to track progress in Spring 2	
Pearson maths workbooks	1.£300	1. Differentiated maths workbooks will be made available to CUP students in need of further support	
Coaching time reading sessions	1 .£0	1. A subject specialist will train all year 7 coaches to run weekly whole-class reading sessions and discussions, using KS3 appropriate texts belonging to the English department	
Coaching time numeracy sessions	1 .£0	1. The Head of maths will circulate weekly numeracy activities to all year 7 tutor groups. These activities will be based on the areas of weakness identified by KS2 QLA and Pixl Microwave results	