

Y7 Literacy and Numeracy Catch-up Premium

Year 7 Catch Up Funding 2016/2017 Spending Plan

Context of Academy

De Warenne Academy is a 11-18 comprehensive school serving the communities of Conisbrough and Denaby Main. Denaby Main forms a significant part of our catchment area and is in the top 1% most deprived areas in the country (Indices of Deprivation). The proportion of pupils known to be eligible for support through the pupil premium is well above the national average. We have been an academy since conversion in 2009 and are part of the Delta Academies Trust. The trust provides the academy with support at all levels and strives to deliver the high quality provision needed to allow all of our students to achieve their full potential. The current Year 7 contains 153 students.

Currently all year groups in the academy started with significantly lower KS2 average point scores than the national averages. A high proportion of students joined the academy from schools that were in special measures. We have a significant number of students in our current year 7 (59%) who did not achieve the national benchmark in either reading (52%), maths (36%) or both (29%). We believe that effective and rapid intervention is required to support these students to gain the vital skills they need as they become young adults. We recognise that students require a range of interventions and that some students benefit significantly from smaller class sizes. Other students may benefit from a variation in learning styles and the range of interventions available to boost their confidence and self-esteem.

Objectives of Year 7 Catch Up Funding

- To narrow the gaps in attainment by providing literacy and numeracy support to those entitled to Catch Up Funding.
- To use baseline data including KS2 exams to identify key gaps in knowledge and develop intervention strategies.
- To raise the esteem and improve the confidence and social skills of those students with greatest need.
- To support existing provision to ensure students make the best possible progress.

Amount of Year 7 Catch Up Funding Received

Number of children who did not achieve at least 100 in reading and/or mathematics at KS2	89 (59%) Reading (52%) Maths (36%)
Total Year 7 Catch Up Funding	£22 798

Summary of Year 7 Catch Up Funding Spend

- Funding an additional Year 7 Teaching group providing an improved teacher to student ratios.
- To purchase additional specialist literacy and numeracy provision to support intervention. For example Sound Training and Sumdog
- To allow the delivery of the Ruth Miskin 'Fresh Start' programme to support reading and literacy for less able students.
- To allow a group of students to complete the Y7 Maths Mastery course with the SENCO.
- To provide 1 to 1 support for a small cohort of students through the use of the Bridge, including the development of social skills and confidence.

Record of Year 7 Catch Up Funding Spend by Item/Project

Item/Project	Cost	Objective
Funding of an additional Year 7 teaching group. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small group delivery of Maths Mastery by SENCO. • Small group delivery of English. • Additional periods of English to deliver the 'Fresh Start' programme with a specialist teacher. 	£21 660	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify concerns and target intervention. • To raise the attainment in literacy and numeracy of the students in the additional groups. • To reduce the class sizes of lower sets to provide a more favourable student teacher ratio leading to improved progress for all students below 100 in English and Maths. • To improve the confidence of students in maths and English contributing to improved attainment in other subjects.
One to one support in the Bridge for targeted students.	£6 091	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide one to one support to individuals in the bridge including dyslexia support and social skills development.
Use of Sumdog software to support students in maths.	£327	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To develop student numeracy skills and increase confidence in mathematics.
Introduce Sound Training programme in the academy. Includes the purchase of materials and training.	£9 000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To boost vocabulary development and literacy skills, delivering sustained improvements in reading ages.
Total Year 7 Catch Up Funding Expenditure	£37 078	
Total Year 7 Catch Up Funding Received	£22 798	
Year 7 Catch Up Funding Remaining	-£14 280	

Impact Statement

- Students in the small, fresh start English group improved their reading ages on average by 9 months. 4 out of 13 students improved their reading ages by 12 months or more. One student improved his reading age by over 2 years. In 7D eligible students made 10.4 months progress with 36% making 15 or more month's improvement.
- 89% of eligible students are on target to meet their KS4 target in English. 58% were operating at GCSE grade 1 or above at the end of the autumn term, this figure has now risen to 81%. 29% are now working at grade 2 or above.
- Sumdog helped one student improve his reading age by 17 months and the other student participating in the withdrawal programme by 21 months.
- 85% of eligible students are on target to meet their KS4 target in maths. 17% were operating at GCSE grade 1 or above at the start of the year, this figure has now risen to 81%. 26% are now working at grade 2 or above.
- 66% of the Y7 Maths Mastery Group are on track to meet their target. 66% are also now working at GCSE grade 1 or above (only 8% at the start of the year).
- One to one reading intervention helped one student raise his reading age by 25 months.

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Number of children who did not achieve at least 100 in reading and/or mathematics at KS2	59 (44%)
Total Year 7 Catch Up Funding (Estimated)	£ 15 113

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- To provide accurate assessment of needs and impact.
- To support additional specialist literacy and numeracy intervention provision.
- To allow the delivery of the Ruth Miskin 'Fresh Start Programme' programme to support reading and literacy for less able students.
- To provide 1 to 1 support for a small cohort of students through the use of the library, including the development of social skills and confidence.
- To train staff and sixth form students to provide literacy and reading support.
- To encourage reading outside the English classroom to boost literacy.
- To improve mastery of key mathematics skills.

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Literacy co-ordinator in place to manage Y7 English interventions. Literacy co-ordinator baseline and retests all Y7 students.	£1 250 £1 000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify concerns and target interventions. • To assess the effectiveness of interventions.
Ruth Miskin Specialist literacy programme for key Y7 group. Additional English curriculum time.	£2 500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students follow phonics programme to improve literacy skills leading to above average improvements in reading ages.
6 th Form Paired Reading programme to be introduced. Includes up to 3 days training for students.	£600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To improve reading confidence of students contributing to improved attainment in all subjects
Drop Everything And Read (DEAR) tutor time programme. Book boxes provided.	£1 000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To encourage engagement in reading away from the English classroom. To encourage reading for enjoyment.
Literacy support programme to be provided through the library 5hrs per week.	£4 000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To improve reading confidence of students contributing to improved attainment in all subjects
Year 7 homework club set up to support students. Staffed by SENCO.	£5 000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To allow students with literacy and numeracy weakness to receive additional support. • Allow students to complete homework in an academic environment.
Use of Sumdog software to support students' maths skills.	£327	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To develop student numeracy skills and increase confidence in mathematics.
Maths mastery programme in place for Y7. CPD provided for staff.	£500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To develop basic numeracy skill and confidence of target students.
Total Year 7 Catch Up Funding Expenditure	£16 427	
Total Year 7 Catch Up Funding Received	£15 113	
Year 7 Catch Up Funding Remaining	-£1 314	