

Year 7 Literacy and Numeracy Catch up grant 2018-19

The literacy and numeracy catch-up premium gives state-funded schools, including special schools and alternative provision settings, additional funding to support year 7 pupils who did not achieve the expected standard in reading or maths at the end of key stage 2 (KS2). As Moorcroft School caters for young people with Severe Learning Difficulties all pupils joining the school in year 7 are functioning significantly below these expected standards. Therefore, the Literacy and Numeracy catch up grant is used to support all year 7 pupils improve their standards in literacy and numeracy.

Allocation for 2017-18

£2572 was received for 2017-18. Key staff were trained in Signalong during the academic year. This included one teacher and a TA2 who are currently working alongside year 7 pupils. OT equipment was also purchased to aid pupils in developing their writing skills. Three year 7 pupils who were having difficulty in class were supported by an educational psychologist who drew up an action plan to support them in class.

Impact of 2017-18 Funding

Year 7 pupils made outstanding progress in both English and Maths. In both subjects 71% of students exceeded their Upper Quartile Targets with all students meeting these targets.



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Planned Expenditure for 2018-19

There is a significant increase in year 7 students for the current academic year, with 12 joining the school in September 2018. The school anticipates that funding will be approximately £4179. This will be paid to the school in April 2019. Part of this funding will be used to finance a teacher who has been awarded a TLR3 for the purpose of raising standards in literacy across the school. Members of SLT are currently developing new benchmarks to assess progress in English and Maths. Funding will also be used to fund cover to release them from class and to finance visits to other schools. Funding will also be used to purchase individual resources for targeted year 7 students to improve their achievement in literacy and numeracy. A further TA2 will be given training on signalong.

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