



Year 7 literacy and numeracy catch-up premium

The Department for Education provides a literacy and numeracy catch-up premium for schools to support Year 7 students who did not achieve at least level 4 in the reading and/or mathematics Key Stage 2 National Curriculum tests.

In 2014/15 Sir John Hunt CSC received £19,000.

In 2015/16 Sir John Hunt CSC received £11,500.

How was the catch-up premium spent in 2014/15?

Literacy:

- Additional literacy lesson per week, in addition to the 5 lessons (x 50 minutes) per week of English
- Appointment of a Literacy Lead teacher who is primary trained
- Subscription to the Accelerated Reader programme, with 25 minutes per day of 'Drop and Read'
- Very small literacy intervention group, with a focus on phonics and progression through 'Read Write Inc'
- Small group teaching of the LIT Programme
- Focused small group intervention with the English HLTA
- Focused small group intervention with the KS3 Learning Mentor
- In-class support from the curriculum linked Learning Support Assistant

Numeracy:

- Subscription to the Accelerated Maths programme
- Small group teaching by qualified mathematics teacher
- Focused small group intervention with the mathematics HLTA
- Focused small group intervention with the KS3 Learning Mentor
- In-class support from the curriculum linked Learning Support Assistant

What was the impact of the funding on eligible students?

2014/15

- 24 students did not achieve at least level 4 in their KS2 mathematics SATs.

By the end of the academic year 2015, 10 of these students (42%) had achieved level 4.

- 19 students did not achieve at least level 4 in their KS2 English SATs. By the end of the academic year 2015, 17 of these students (89%) had achieved level 4.

How was the catch-up premium spent in 2015/16?

Following the success of the strategies implemented in 2014/15, these strategies continued in 2015/16. Progress was tracked on a termly basis.

What was the impact of the funding on eligible students?

2015/16

- 15 students did not achieve at least level 4 in their KS2 mathematics SATs. By the end of the academic year 2016, 7 of these students (47%) had achieved level 4.
- 17 students did not achieve at least level 4 in their KS2 English SATs. By the end of the academic year 2016, 13 of these students (76%) had achieved level 4.

How will the catch-up premium be spent in 2016/17?

We are yet to be notified of the funding arrangements for 2016/17. It is our intention to continue with the strategies implemented in 2014/15 and 2015/16.