



Foreland Fields School - COVID-19 Catch Up Premium Report 2020/21

Foreland Fields School Catch Up Premium Allocation 2020-21

School allocations are calculated on a per pupil basis.

Special Schools such as Foreland Fields School are allocated £240 for each pupil from for the 2020 to 2021 academic year.

Foreland Fields School will receive this money in 3 payments:

November 2020 - £13,200 (Received)

Spring Allocation - £17,460

Total expected for Academic Year 2020/21 - £52,560

Recovery Curriculum

“Our quest, our mission as educators, should be the journey with a child through a process of reengagement, which leads them back to their rightful status as a fully engaged, authentic learner”

“Now is the time to address the damage of loss and trauma, so that it does not rob our children of their lifelong opportunities. Now is the time to ensure that we restore mental wealth in our children, so that their aspirations for their future, can be a vision that becomes, one day, a reality.”

(Barry Carpenter & Matthew Carpenter 2020)

Foreland Fields School will be supporting pupils back to school through the introduction of a Recovery Curriculum. This Recovery Curriculum is based on the work of Barry Carpenter and the Evidence for Learning team:

“A Recovery Curriculum: Loss and Life for our children and schools post pandemic”.

This curriculum will address the impact of the national lockdown and the following areas which are identified as possible effects of the COVID-19 pandemic:

- Anxiety
- Poor sleep
- Regression of physical skills
- New unwanted behaviours
- Mental health issues
- Attachment issues
- Lack of engagement
- Trauma/Bereavement Response

Initially, the focus for all teachers will be to re-engage pupils and to make accurate assessments of points of learning for each pupil. These assessments will inform Personal Learning Intentions/goals for each pupil moving forward.

This initial holistic approach will lead to targeted recovery for pupils where a personalised needs-led approach is required. At this time, it will be necessary to liaise with external agencies in order for pupils to access required support. It is thought that some pupils may require a longer period of recovery, which will require more intense and prolonged specialist support.

Planned Expenditure for the 2020/21 Academic Year

The COVID-19 Catch Up Premium will be used to address many of the initiatives described above through appropriate resources and interventions. This will also require the purchasing of specialist services in order to address pupil needs.

The school are also currently liaising with CAMHS to explore the possibility of securing an Assistant Psychologist to provide mental health support to pupils. This will also act as a short-cut to more specialist clinical support as access to the psychologist will act as a triage, signposting to other services. This is currently at the planning stage however we hope to have this implemented by early 2021.

In addition, the funding will be used to provide access to school, travel fees, to support full time attendance. The government are advising all but essential travel on public transport therefore part of this funding will support travel to and from school for some pupils who previously relied on public transport.

Once we are able to safely open our Hydrotherapy pool we will use part of the funding to support regular hydrotherapy/water based activities for pupils with physical difficulties.