

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Bishop's Stortford

COVID Premium Action Plan 2020/2021

Summary Information

Total Number of pupils	361	Amount of Catch Up Premium received per pupil	£80	
Total Catch Up Budget	£28 880			

Strategy Statement

Children and young people across the country have experienced unprecedented disruption to their education as a result of coronavirus (COVID-19). Those from the most vulnerable and disadvantaged backgrounds will be among those hardest hit. The aggregate impact of lost time in education will be substantial, and the scale of our response must match the scale of the challenge. Schools' allocations will be calculated on a per pupil basis, providing each mainstream school with a total of £80 for each pupil in from Reception through to Year 6.

Barriers to learning created by our school closure in March 2020 and January 2021 include: high anxiety for a small minority of pupils; missed learning experiences; lack of extended writing during lockdown; lack of structured physical education.

The key priorities for our use of the COVID catch up premium will be:

1. Developing our online learning provision to ensure pupils can access regular live and recorded lessons
2. Providing 1:1 and small group interventions in phonics, reading writing and basic number work across the school
3. Providing our most vulnerable pupils with additional support to help lower their anxieties in school

Priorities	Actions	Start Date	Cost	Impact- Review July 2021
To provide quality online learning at home for individuals/classes if home learning is necessary	Adopt an online platform to provide the facility to host live lessons and recorded lessons	October 2020	£2k	
	Provide training for staff on how to use the online platform and improve their knowledge	January 2021	£1k	
	Purchase additional chromebooks or laptops for vulnerable pupils in order to access online lessons	January 2021	£1.5k	
	Purchase additional online resources for pupils to use	September 2020	£0.5k	
To provide additional 1:1 and small group interventions to pupils in phonics, reading, writing and number work to close the learning gap	Provide additional TA in Reception classes to undertake phonics catch up four afternoons per week.	January 2021	£3K	
	Provide additional TA and Teacher tutor support in Yrs 1-6 for 1:1 and small group support to provide phonics catch up, group reading catch up, sentence construction, spelling support and number bonds and times tables support, as well as social skills.	January 2021	£12k	
To support our most vulnerable pupils with additional adult support to reduce their anxieties	Provide additional lunchtime cover to increase supervision and promote physical activity	September 2020	£2k	
	Provide additional art therapy for vulnerable pupil	January 2021	£0.5k	
	Provide coaching 1:1 for identified pupils in Yrs5-6 on dealing with change, coping strategies, anxiety and confidence building	September 2021	£4K	
	Provide 1:1 support for behaviour in LKS2	March 2021	£5K	