

## **Year 7 Catch Up Premium**

The literacy and numeracy catch-up premium gives schools 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.

Newton Abbot College has received £10,228 this academic year, to support this programme.

Last year both the English and Maths Departments provided weekly one to one support for a group of students struggling to access basic reading, writing and numeracy skills and students made good progress here. We also purchased handwriting pens, green pens for peer and self-assessment, mini whiteboards, literacy supports and physical manipulatives for use in maths lessons and overlays to support students with basic literacy skills. We provided experienced English and Maths teachers delivering interventions and maintained a close focus on comprehension and reading questions skills. Students also worked on developing word class knowledge and applying this to texts.

### **What effect the expenditure had on the attainment of students at the College for whom it was allocated:**

Reading ages are improving and students are growing in confidence and self-belief. Their knowledge of word classes has developed and they are able to access more of the year 7 curriculum and the assessment objectives that informs the teaching and learning.

### **How we assessed the effect on attainment:**

Assessment is informed by testing against the 'teacher learning checklists' that make up the assessment objectives for each year group and at GCSE level.

### **How we plan to spend the current academic year's allocation:**

- Increased one to one support will take up the majority of the funds available
- Continued support from experienced teachers and English and Maths Departments staff support
- Allocate more teacher time for intervention
- Purchase physical manipulatives for use in maths lessons
- Purchase new assessment materials for group intervention sessions
- Whiteboards and pens for recording prompts
- Reordering of materials to support reading: overlays
- Green pens, handwriting pens, reading materials to support quick reads and comprehension

Other interventions will be implemented over the course of the year to meet the needs of the target group.