

Additional Funding due to Covid-19 (2020-2022)

Catch-up Premium

The Catch-Up Premium is funding that the government allocated to schools to support Catch-Up in schools following lockdown. This premium is an amount of money that was linked to pupil numbers in Reception -Y6.

The amount schools received for each pupil in Reception to Y6 was £80.00 for the whole academic year. Linked to our pupil numbers for Year 1 - Year 6, our school allocation was £24,640, which was for September 2020 – July 2021 period.

The majority of this, £15,500 was used to fund an additional TA in KS1 to support children with gaps in their speech and language skills and work on targets set by the Speech and Language Team. The remaining £9,140 was carried over to 2021-22 in order to part fund an Academic Mentor.

Academic Mentor Funding

Academic mentors are graduates or teachers who undergo intensive training before being placed in a school. They are salaried members of staff that will work alongside existing school staff to provide subject-specific work, revision lessons and additional support.

Academic mentors are available through the national tutoring programme and form 1 of 3 subsidised tutoring options. The [national tutoring programme](#) supports disadvantaged and vulnerable pupils from year 1 to 11 to catch up on missed education due to COVID-19.

Through careful selection, clear targets and strong communication with class teachers, we can offer a more tailored and purposeful curriculum to these children. Westmoor have employed a full time Academic Mentor to work with groups of children across the school from Spring term 2022. The salary of the Academic Mentor is 90% subsidised by the National Tutoring Programme up until August 2022. The remaining 10% of the salary and associated costs are paid by the school. These associated costs amounted to £9,140.

Recovery Premium Funding

In February 2021, the government announced a one-off recovery premium as part of its package of funding to support education recovery. The recovery premium provides additional funding for state-funded schools in the 2021 to 2022 academic year. Building on the pupil premium, this funding will help schools to deliver evidence-based approaches for supporting disadvantaged pupils.

School allocations are calculated on a per pupil basis. Mainstream schools receive £145 for 60% of eligible pupils (pupil premium) in mainstream education. The allocation for Westmoor Primary School for 2021-22 is £6,525 and is being used to

train, resource and timetable two TAs to deliver a programme to address early maths skills - Becoming1stClass@Number.