

Year 7 Catch-up Funding – Literacy and Numeracy

The Year 7 literacy and numeracy catch-up premium gives state-funded schools, including special schools, such as Unified Academy, 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 (KS2). The Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) pays catch-up funding directly to academies on 1st March of every year.

Year 7 Catch-up Funding 2019-20

Intended Outcomes:

Unified Academy received £4,200 in March 2020 from ESFA. This money was used to fund a number of differentiated Literacy resources such as toe by toe, wordshark, twinkl and classroom secrets. These resources are intended to be used within the classroom and to assist targeted interventions.

The school also plans to further develop Literacy through a 'Canine Assisted Learning' programme in which students will work in small groups or 1:1 to access opportunities to develop their fluency and comprehension, as well as reading for pleasure.

Impact:

Within the Academic Year 2019-20 resources were used to inform and enrich learning within school as well our remote learning which took place during the COVID 19 lockdown.

Across September 2020 all students were benchmarked within Literacy as part of Unified's 'recovery curriculum.' Students were identified for targeted interventions from this.