

Statement for the use of the 16-19 Tuition Fund

Darrick Wood School has received **additional Government funding of £18,039** for the 2021-2022 academic year.

The purpose of the fund is to mitigate the disruption of learning arising from COVID-19.

The fund is for economically disadvantaged students and those who have been defined as low prior attaining students (those who did not achieve at least a grade 4 in English Language and/or Maths by the age of 16). We will also pay particular regard to the needs of students with special educational needs and disabilities.

The funding can be used to support small group tuition, with a maximum group size of 7. The tuition fund can be used for English and Maths GCSE courses, and any other post-16 subjects where learning has been disrupted. Small group tuition will be used to go above and beyond what is already being provided through the usual programmes of study.

Small group tuition will be both **internally and externally staffed**; teaching and support staff within school will be complemented by external agency tuition.

Plans for funding use

- Additional Maths and English Language tuition – Both internal teaching staff and an external tutoring agency, will provide small group tuition for students who have been identified as requiring extra support with their Maths and English Language GCSE re-sit examinations.
- Additional support will be provided by teaching staff for students who are completing vocational courses. Such courses consist of a heavy coursework element, thus lower prior attaining students will receive extra support on understanding how to interpret assignments. During these sessions, students will work on the skills necessary to thrive in BTEC study.
- SEND students will participate in small group study skills sessions run by Higher Level Teaching Assistants.
- The Hearing Impaired Unit (HIU) will provide additional tuition for low prior attaining hearing impaired students. Tuition will be for GCSE Maths and post 16 courses. The HIU will work with teaching staff to ensure a robust programme of study is developed for the aforementioned tuition.
- Funding will also be used to provide resources for the small group tuition sessions such as workbooks.

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