

Year 7 Catch Up Premium 2018-19



The literacy and numeracy catch-up premium gives state-funded 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.

In 2018-19, Downlands was allocated £13,723 in funding as part of the Year 7 Catch Up initiative. This funding aims to help these students to 'catch up' with their peers during their first year in the school.

The school uses the catch up premium to fund two 'nurture' groups per subject in English and Maths. These groups are small groups of less than 10 students and are designed to accelerate the progress that students make in these subjects in year 7. They are staffed by qualified subject specialists and are often supported by a Teaching Assistant.

96% of pupils funded are currently (July 2018) on or above target in English and 78% of pupils funded are currently (July 2018) on or above target in Mathematics.

It is estimated that the funding for 2019-20 will be similar and this is being used to fund the same model for year 7 students from September 2019.