

## **Use of Covid-19 Catch Up Premium**



## Shaldon Primary School Allocation £16,880

#### **Our Outcome – Successful Learners**

- Know how to learn (metacognition)
- Make exceptional progress (3 circles)
- Achieve high standards (academic excellence/knowledge acquisition)
- Recognise a capacity for learning (metacognition and growth mindset)
- Have a thirst for learning (Character)

## **Analysis of need**

## **Priority 1: Phonics, Early Reading and Reading Fluency in KS2**

**Funding:** £8,440 on Phonics Bug, Rapid Reader and associated reading books, staff training and on-going staff development (drop-ins, mentoring).

#### **EYFS**

Verbal communication and receptive language skills, speech therapy, vocabulary acquisition Fine motor skills / Poor pencil grip

Phonics and early reading

Recognising numbers – concrete and abstract

Counting

#### Key Stage 1

Y1	Y2
Phonics	Phonics – reading fluency and speed
Place value	Key word recognition
Number bonds to 10	Number recognition, Numbers as words



Letter formation and handwriting

Simple sentences – capital letters and full
stops

One more/one less

Comprehension of questions

High frequency words spelling
Simple suffixes and homophones
Addition and subtraction/ four operations
Conjunctions
Stamina for writing
Simple problem solving

### Key Stage 2

Reading – Phonics gaps, fluency, reading comprehension strategies e.g. retrieval, inference and deduction, stamina

Writing – basic sentence construction (at different levels), punctuation (at different levels), conjunctions, stamina, spelling, rereading for sense, consistency of tense Handwriting

Mathematics – Place value, calculations, Fractions, Decimals and Percentages, fluency - recall of basic mathematical facts, measures, geometry statistics, mathematical vocabulary, pace, reasoning and applying, word problems

# Priority 2: Targeted Academic Support, particularly for disadvantaged children

**Funding:** £8,440

Funding used to buy in additional tutoring hours from experienced part-time teachers already working in school.

Teachers worked in a targeted way with children who had significant gaps identified during the first lockdown, especially those in Years 5 and 6, supporting their reading and maths fluency.

# Our Guiding Principles – Rationale for our use of Catch Up Premium Quality First Teaching

We know that a highly effective, excellent teacher makes the biggest difference to the children in their class. Therefore, our biggest investment needs to be in our teachers' professional development.

The EEF Toolkit reports that the most effective strategies to accelerate progress remain Feedback (+8 months) and Metacognition and self-regulation (+7 months). Therefore, A



Curriculum for Excellence's focus on developing metacognition, if implemented effectively, will have the greatest impact on children's learning.

We know that assessment is key – teachers need precise knowledge about the gaps in children's learning, and planning should build upon this assessment. *Dylan Wiliams* research - Responsive teaching

High quality feedback (and marking) is essential (+8 months EEF Toolkit). This enables the learner to reflect and adapt and to practise new knowledge or skills.

We need to prioritise the explicit teaching and 'catch up' of basic skills, as outlined above, within the context of our Curriculum for Excellence learning experiences.

We need to equip our teachers to adapt the curriculum for blended learning – in school and remote learning. Having a strategy in advance about curriculum organisation, how lessons will be planned and taught in the event that a teacher is off sick, strategies for managing workload to avoid teacher overwhelm.

## **Targeted Academic Support**

We know that our teachers know their children best and are therefore the best placed for any additional targeted support.

If teachers don't have capacity to take on additional catch up, our experienced and highly effective Teaching Assistants and HLTAs are likely to be more effective than a new appointee.

Any targeted intervention needs to be planned with *precision* to meet our children's needs. Additional academic support needs to be planned carefully so that new learning builds sequentially on prior knowledge. Sessions need to happen regularly, and be led by an adult who knows the child and the course content well.

Priority subjects for targeted academic support need to be oral language intervention (+5 months), Early years interventions (+5 months), early reading and phonics (+4 months), reading comprehension strategies (+6 months) and Mastery Learning – through preteaching in reading and mathematics. (+5 months)

