

Isca Academy Catch-Up Premium 2017/18

During 2017/2018 we received £20,915 catch-up funding to support students with low prior attainment in English and Maths.

In addition to the teacher assessments received from primary schools, students in Year 7 are tested for a full range of literacy and numeracy issues to establish the exact nature of support and intervention needed. We also use CAT tests as an additional baseline assessment.

Support is given to the students through a variety of interventions. They are taught in the smallest possible class in their curriculum subjects, which allows them to grow in confidence and build strong relationships with their teachers; an experience that is perhaps more similar to their primary school experience than for the rest of their year group.

These students then follow a detailed intervention programme that includes additional TA support in Maths and English lessons. Sounds-Write, a phonics based reading and spelling programme, is taught in a fun, interactive way and is reinforced with literacy games. Students in the majority of their English and Maths lessons are supported by at least one teaching assistant. English lessons focus on the development of core literacy skills and their application across the curriculum, as well as covering the essential elements of the English Curriculum. Students who are not able to make as rapid progress will continue to be supported through enhanced provision, with specific interventions and support as they move up through the school.

Programmes such as buddy reading help to improve confidence in both the young readers and their buddy's. Speech and language assessments are coupled with precision teaching, social use of language groups and social skills groups to develop oracy skills for use across the curriculum too.

Provision	Cost
Additional Teaching Assistant Support (1:1 and group support)	£6,000
1:1 English Maths in class support	£2,000
Sounds Write Intervention (1:1, class and intervention)	£10,000
Sounds Write CPD	£250
Functional Numeracy (1:1 extraction)	£2,500
Additional screening (LASS, Literacy online)	£2,000
Social use of language groups – small group (extraction and class)	£2,000
Social skills groups	£1,000
Buddy reading	£200
Equipment (headphones, overlays etc.)	£200
	£26,150

End of Year Progress Data for 2017/18:

Subject	2018 Progress			Total Number of Students in the target group – Below expected standard on entry
	Below	Expected	Above	
English	4.5% (1)	82% (18)	13.5% (3)	22
Mathematics	5% (1)	85% (17)	10% (2)	20