

YEAR 7 CATCH UP FUNDING 2018 - 19

SEMH students often arrive with associated communication difficulties - delayed language skills, receptive and/or social communication difficulties. Additional resources will be purchased to undertake intensive Lego Therapy, supervised by the SAL Therapist.

Practical maths activities introduce more kinaesthetic styles of learning and serve to engage and motivate students more through 'hands-on' learning, especially reluctant learners, less confident learners, and those at risk of disengaging from the learning process. Further resources need to be purchased to support this intervention.

TOTAL FUNDING: £2,571

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Lego Therapy	IN-class HLTA Lego Therapy Support £1,165 (£20 x 1.5 pw x 38 weeks plus one introductory session by SALT)	Continued	Year 7 pupils with identified communication difficulties will be provided with Lego Therapy sessions in the SEN room, working together, taking on different roles - either giving instructions, selecting the correct pieces, or building the Lego models by following clear diagrams.	Academic Year 2018-19	There will be a development in pupils' ability in finding ways to communicate, in listening skills, in focusing on the task, in problem solving, in taking turns and sharing. Pupils will become self-confident and motivated to achieve. This will have an impact upon their intra and interpersonal skills, which are transferrable to other areas of the curriculum, and will enhance their progress in learning.	On a session by session basis, staff evaluate the progress of each pupil on a 1-10 scale, against a set of seven criteria, based on the development of and achievement in their communication and interaction There is a further evaluation form (NHS/Salford Royal based) which assesses pupils' progress during the session against a further eleven criteria.	100% of the pupils who attended Lego Therapy sessions made progress as observed by staff: In communication, attention and listening skills. Appropriate vocabulary was used, problem solving and turn taking skills increased. Ability to accept and give praise and help to each other developed. Staff observed that all of the improved skills

							were transferred across curriculum which has helped them make targeted progress.
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Practical Maths Support	Specialist support UPS £1,406 (1 group session a week x 38 weeks x £37)	continued	The practical maths resources that were purchased last year introduce more kinaesthetic styles of learning for year 7 pupils working at a level below that expected for their chronological age. They provide multi-sensory learning experiences that help pupils understand connections between numbers, and link the practical counting process with the abstract written numeral.	Academic year 2018 - 19	Pupils' self-confidence, engagement and motivation will increase. Consequently, the quality and effectiveness of pupils' learning in numeracy will improve, and progress in attainment and achievement will both meet and exceed targets for improvement. The class teacher will have been skilled up	By teaching staff and TAs who implement it. Qualitative evaluation will be via staff feedback in the termly maths meeting. Quantitative evaluation will be through the evaluation of termly learning targets for maths.	Pupils and staff have increased confidence in maths through the use of the practical apparatus. Pupils have a greater understanding of the link between addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. Progress has been made by

			The sessions are led weekly by the maths specialist who cascades her skills to the new yr 7 teacher		so she can continue to use her skills in to year 8		all pupils with an attendance >80%.
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