

Great Finborough Church Primary

COVID-19 CATCH-UP PREMIUM PLAN

SUMMARY Total number of pupils 129 Total catch-up premium (£80 per pupil) £10,240

STRATEGY FOR SPENDING

Since the school returned in September we have:

- carried out standardised assessments in reading writing and maths on pupils in KS1 and KS2 and compared these to both their last assessments in Spring 2020 and their expected attainment prior to the COVID lockdown.
- monitored the mental-health and well-being of children to identify any additional support that needed.
- assessed the additional needs of children entering school in the Foundation Stage class, who have missed a significant period of pre-school and transition activities.
- considered the EEF foundation guidance on the use of catch-up premium.

Children were supported in transitioning back into school by careful selection of curriculum areas and topics to be covered, as well as the mode of delivery, in the first term to ensure these were engaging to the children as well as supporting their learning. There has been regular communication with parents about the activities planned to encourage their engagement and support. There has also been a focus on reading with children, both encouraging parents and offering them strategies for this.

Groups of children needing additional support in literacy and/or numeracy have been identified and structured small group and 1:1 interventions with a qualified teacher are in place to support these children; some additional sessions with an experienced TA are also taking place.

Interventions will be followed by teacher assessment to ensure their effectiveness and to determine any follow-up interventions required. This will be supported by our usual termly standardised assessments being carried out.