

### **Year 7 literacy and numeracy catch-up funding**

The catch-up premium gives schools additional funding to support year 7 pupils who did not achieve level 4 or above in reading and/or mathematics at the end of key stage 2 (ks2).

The amount of funding available from the education funding agency (efa) for each year is based upon figures published in the autumn school census and results from the national curriculum assessments at ks2; schools are notified of the allocation in the following spring term. Cornwallis received an allocation of £16,822.00 for 2019/2020.

The grant may be spent for the purposes of the school, for the educational benefit of students registered at the school.

### **2019-2020**

The catch-up funding for year 7 in 2019/20 was used to implement a plethora of interventions, support and resources, aimed at closing the gap for year 7 students joining Cornwallis not achieving expected levels. Details of these strategies are as follows

- Continuation of successful catch up literacy lessons in year 7 to support pupils in all areas of the curriculum
- Small group and one to one interventions for literacy and numeracy in co-ordination with english and maths department
- Extensive extra-curricular activities on offer to support learning in both maths and english.
- Students are assessed in both english and maths and intervention groups are formed and taught by a specialist teacher.
- Subscription to nesy; a computer based learning, interactive and individualised program which helps students improve basic literacy skills
- Subscription to timetable rock stars
- 16 iPads with keyboards bought for the literacy suite; to support pupils who find writing difficult and to access nesy & times table rock stars

### **The impact**

- 93% success rate for improvement in 1 or more area
- 30% of students made such vast improvement that they “graduated” back into mainstream lessons.