



Astor

Secondary School

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Post 16 Tuition Fund 2021-22

In July 2020, the Department of Education announced the provision of additional funding to support students whose learning was disrupted as a result of the COVID pandemic.

The Tuition Fund is available to all 16 -19 providers and must be used to support small group tuition for 16 to 19 students in English, maths, and other courses where learning has been disrupted. The guidance indicates that the supported students must be on a 16 to 19 study programme and who have not achieved grade 5 or above in GCSE maths and/or English by age 16.

Astor Secondary School Sixth Form commits to using the small group tuition funding to mitigate against the impact of the pandemic on our study programme for pupils. Sessions will be limited to small numbers of pupils per group and will be above and beyond normal timetabled hours. Pupils will be prioritised for small group tuition based on the guidance released by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA).

Schools should use this funding for specific activities to support their pupils to catch up for lost teaching over the previous months, in line with the guidance on [expectations for the 2020/21 academic year 16-19 Tuition Fund](#).

Astor Secondary School's allocation for the 2021-22 academic year is £14,955

Support sessions will be prioritised for the following students:

- Those who fall into the vulnerable group categories
- Those who have a grade 4 or below in GCSE Maths and/or English
- Those with noticeable gaps in their A level and vocational study programme

Examples of some of the Tuition Support on offer at Astor Secondary School - Sixth Form include:

- GCSE exam resit preparation for maths and English
- Functional skills assessment preparation with a particular focus on EAL pupils.
- A level Science support for Y12 and 13
- Counselling and careers advice

Tuition and additional support may be delivered using a blend of online and on-site delivery depending upon the restriction from the ongoing COVID-19 situation.

Tuition support offered will be based on an individual needs assessment, the identification of an individual starting point, clear learning goals, expectations and outcomes.

We will also offer wellbeing and welfare support to assist pupils with their ability to engage with the extra tuition and support.

Our commitment

We are committed to ensuring the tuition fund is used in accordance with the Government's guidance on the 16 to 19 tuition fund by:

- producing this statement setting out how the fund will be used to support the most disadvantaged students
- publishing this guidance on our website
- recording the use of the fund, including references to individual students who receive support, the needs of those students, the number of hours of tuition delivered and retain the evidence of the tuition provided
- deliver the extra tuition and spend the allocated funds in the academic year 2021/22
- notify the Education Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of any underspend from the Fund for it to be reclaimed

Spend overview 2020-21 16-19 Tuition Fund.

- Appointment of tutor for A Level Chemistry - £11077.27

Impact of the tutoring was improvements in A Level grades for pupils. All improved by 2 grades from benchmark testing in November 2020.

- Support pupils with online courses and provisions for functional skills- £850

Pupils undertook extra course to assist with transition aspirations due to concerns around impact of COVID on education and learning.

- Increase of Wellbeing and Welfare support by an extra day - £4472

SL to increase to 4 days per week in support of pupil's wellbeing and welfare. Support to include counselling, careers advice, academic support, safeguarding and support linked to families of the pupils.