

COVID-19 Catch-up Plan - Padgate Academy 2020-21

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At the heart of our vision it is to do whatever it takes to provide our students with a first-class education. The pandemic has provided a need for us to think creatively and utilise the Government's allocated £30K catch-up fund to ensure our students are not disproportionately disadvantaged.

This 6-point catch-up plan outlines how we will address our catch-up agenda. The primary focus of the plan is geared towards Y11 due to their imminent GCSE examinations this summer but will consider other year groups, especially Y7 and those who are most vulnerable.

1. **Virtual Tuition:** We will identify Targeted Intervention Groups in each subject. Subject teachers will be offered payment for carrying out small group tuition outside of school hours to their students (e.g. evening, weekend, holidays).
2. **Study materials:** Every head of department will be given the opportunity to purchase revision/study books of their choice/quantity to enable students to catch up and enhance learning independently.
3. **Study Zone:** Create a study zone for students during lunch time, after school and weekends which will be supervised and refreshments provided. This will enable students to study independently and take charge of their learning.
4. **Lesson Broadcasting:** We will purchase and install webcams in every classroom so that students who are absent or are self-isolating will be able to join their lessons from home.
5. **IT coverage:** we will procure IT enough equipment to ensure all of our students have adequate IT access so that there is no technological divide amongst our student community.
6. **Online Learning Platforms:** We will explore the options to enhance our current online learning offer including the purchase of additional packages to communicate with parents and organise work in a more user-friendly way for students.