

Knowle DGE Year 7 Catch Up Report 2017-18

Year 7 catch up

The literacy and numeracy catch-up premium gives state-funded schools, including special schools and alternative provision settings, additional funding to support Year 7 pupils who did not achieve the expected standard in reading or maths at the end of Key Stage 2 (KS2).

Context of the Academy

- Our current planned place number is 156. The Academy has been designed to educate young people from KS1 to KS5 with SEMH, SLCN/ASC needs.
- In 2016-17 Knowle DGE was a LA maintained community school, with formal validation as a 'Community School'. It is open for community use all year round and offers annually additional holiday club opportunities to our young people supported by Academy staff. From September 2017 Knowle DGE became part of the Learn@ Multi-Academy Trust

New developments include:

- 1) In June 2016 Knowle DGE was awarded the Nurture quality mark.
- 2) In January 2016 Knowle DGE the Mayor of Bristol opened a 'Library bus' on site, a refurbished, repurposed bus for the young people to use.
- 3) In March 2017 Knowle DGE was nominated for the Communication Commitment at the 'Shine A Light' awards.
- 4) In June 2018 Knowle DGE was nominated for SEN School of the Year
- 5) In June 2018 Knowle DGE was awarded the Advanced Mental Health and Wellbeing Award, the first school in Bristol to achieve the award.
- We have a small short-stay hostel provision for up to 12 places per night, only accessible to young people on our Academy roll.
- We are mainly based within a newly built main-site building which from September 2016 has had 5 departments covering KS1-5
- 72% of the young people at Knowle DGE qualify for Pupil Premium.
- 11% of the young people at Knowle DGE qualified for Year 7 catch up Premium in 2017-18.

Objectives of Year 7 catch up spending

At Knowle DGE we support all our pupils. We do this by providing high quality teaching supplemented by interventions to support vulnerable learners as and when required. The Strategic Leadership Team and Governing Body monitor the impact of all spending and interventions, including the Year 7 catch up.

Catch-up Premium Spending

Area	Impact
Resources	Year 7 classes benefitted from specialist resources in order to support Maths lessons, progress has been positive. In the two year 7 classes 93% of pupils made expected or above expected progress in number and 100% made expected or above progress in Geometry.
Reading Tuition	Year 7 pupils have had 1:1 tuition over 2017-18 as reading was identified as a key area needing support. This has been successful as demonstrated by over 70% of pupils making expected or better progress in Reading.
Phonics support	6 pupils have had phonics input to raise their phonics levels after being assessed as needing phonics input, all of whom made progress through the phonics phases.
Life Skills Development	Staff were trained in order to be able to deliver life skills activities to Year 7 in order to improve their skills of safety, self-esteem and independence.
ICT Development	Year 7 catch up contributed towards an Ipad strategy, in order to provide Year 7 classes with excellent ICT resources to enhance and evidence learning.