



## **Covid 19 Catch Up Premium**

There has been disruption to schooling as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic, therefore in 2020, the government provided Covid Catch Up funding for schools.

Heathlands received £26,400 which has been used to facilitate additional intervention and enable students to 'catch up' on any missed learning.

At Heathlands, students require staff fluent in sign language in order to access the curriculum which was not available through the National Tutoring Programme. Therefore the decision was taken to create our own specific 'Covid catch up' post. We advertised and were fortunate to appoint two experienced members of staff both with a high level of sign language fluency:

- A trainee teacher with British Sign Language level 6 to work with students in the Secondary department.
- An existing part time teacher, (native sign language user), who was able to work one additional day to provide 'catch up' provision for the lower school. A separate person was required due to separate 'bubbles'.

Both staff worked with small groups and some one-to-one tuition for identified students. They have been required to liaise with subject teachers linked to the curriculum 'missed' and necessary content to be covered. They have also maintained a log of 'catch up' provision and a record of progress.

The impact and success of the intervention in supporting students to 'catch up' on missed learning will be evaluated through our summative curriculum tracking information system. This will allow comparison between students who had good attendance both at school and through remote learning and students who were flagged as a concern through termly monitoring and subsequently in receipt of additional catch up support.