

## The 16-19 Tuition Funding

In the summer of 2020 the Department of Education announced funding to support students whose learning was disrupted as a result of the COVID pandemic. This 16-19 Tuition Fund is available to all 16 to 19 providers such as St John Rigby College and is ring-fenced for 16 to 19 small group tuition only.

The funding can 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. All will be on a 16 to 19 study programme. The subjects covered in the tuition will not be limited to English and maths but will be identified according to need and existing programmes.

St John Rigby College is committed to using the small group tuition funding that it has been given to mitigate the impact of the pandemic on our students. Sessions will be limited to five students per group and will be above and beyond the normal timetabled hours. Support sessions will be available to students meeting the criteria including prioritising students with an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan and students resitting English and or Maths GCSE.

The funding will be used to staff additional curriculum support to support small groups of students who have identified gaps in their knowledge, a need to improve in specific areas or need more time with subject specialists. The aim is to develop their key academic skills and improve their subject-specific knowledge and understanding to enable them to make good progress on their study programme.

Tuition Support offered will be based on individual need, the identification of individual starting points and agreed learning goals and outcomes.

## Our commitment

The College is 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 the College 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 2020/21
- notify the Education Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of any underspend from the Fund for it to be reclaimed.

The full guidance can be accessed here.