



St Bernard's High School 16-19 Catch Up fund

Our objective is to seek to redress (as far as is possible) the imbalance and negative effects of the pandemic and lockdown upon our current Y12 and 13 students (there is a separate fund and strategy for those in the 11-16 bracket). The core areas where we seek to have an impact are:

1. **Academic achievement and capability:** to provide additional tutoring and support in order that students fulfil their potential. There will be a focus on Maths and English where students GCSE results were not at a Level 4/5 and they will have an opportunity to retake these examinations. This, and support in their KS5 subject areas, will be achieved through providing additional small group tutoring sessions outside of lesson time. It will make use of school staff as much as is possible but, where this is not possible, external tutors may be employed. Academic resources such as revision books and other resources such as software licenses may be purchased in order to help accelerate the learning and progress of these students, prior to their A-level exams.
2. **Mental health, wellbeing and lifelong learning:** students will require additional support in order to be able to help themselves and be ready for life after school and life outside of school. They are required to self-manage their studies throughout Y12 and 13 and have suffered significant disruption to this already challenging transition. Support for students through this strand will involve small group mentoring, study skills, lifelong learning strategies, readiness for post Y13 study, strategies for mental and physical wellness and may include guidance pertaining to careers and financial stability.