



The English Martyrs Catholic School and Sixth Form College (EMS6)

16-19 Tuition Fund Statement

The purpose of this statement is to set out how The English Martyrs Catholic School and Sixth Form College (EMS6) will utilise its 16-19 tuition fund allocation to support students who may have had their learning disrupted by the Covid-19 pandemic. The targeted and strategic use of this fund will reflect our ethos and mission as a community which is one 'Founded on Truth, Built on Justice and Animated by Love'.

What is the 16-19 Tuition Fund?

The 16-19 tuition fund is a one-off funding allocation for 2020-21 academic year only. The fund is being provided to support learners to catch up and close any gaps in their learning that may have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 lockdown. The fund will be used to support the learning across the programmes of study for 16-19- year-old students.

Who can be supported by this fund?

Learners must be aged 16-19 and must not have already achieved a GCSE grade 4 or above in Maths and/or English by the age 16.

How is EMS6 using this fund?

The fund will be used to tailor small group support for those eligible in subject areas that are identified through the regular progress data we collect on students. This is so that we can meet the specific needs of each individual student in the entitled group. Any support will be scheduled in addition to the planned programme of study already in place for the academic year 2020/21. Support will be given face to face as far as possible and / or online / remotely if required.

The range of Tuition Support on offer will include the following, dependent upon the specific needs of each student:

- Topic support through designated specialist teaching.
- Exam revision techniques and focus upon past papers / exam technique.
- Academic skills support and development.
- Technical knowledge and skills support to aid mastery and make up for any shortfall from previous learning.
- Emotional and pastoral support and tracking to improve engagement and support the well-being of learners during Covid restrictions.
- Providing resources to aid effective preparation for assessments and exams.
- Providing specific and one to one support for identified students in terms of raising aspirations, planning for future steps and exploring post 19 options.

What is our commitment?

EMS6 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 individual needs of each student.
- Publishing this guidance on the school website.
- Recording the use of the fund and how this aligns with the needs of the students. This will include evidence of the tuition provided and demonstrate the impact of the support provided.
- Making effective use of 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.