



## Year 7 Literacy and Numeracy catch-up premium

### What is the Catch-Up Premium?

In Sept 2012 the Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg announced that secondary schools will receive an additional £500 for each Year 7 pupil who did not achieve at level 4 or better in Reading and/or Maths at the end of Key Stage 2. This is referred to as Catch-up Premium and was introduced into schools in January 2013.

“The literacy and numeracy catch-up premium gives schools 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)”.  
([DfE Website](#))

At Wadebridge School identified pupils in Year 7 who require **Reading catch-up** are supported by the Synthetic Phonics Intervention Programme (using *Read Write Inc.*). This involves the creation of an additional English class with pupils being taught lessons in small groups (no more than 6), teachers and Higher Level Teaching Assistants (HLTAs) who are specialists in Phonics teaching using *Read Write Inc.* materials. They are also dis-applied from Modern Foreign Languages; this means that they receive a total of 11 hours each fortnight of Phonics.

Although funding is only provided for pupils in Year 7, a small number of pupils continue on the Synthetic Phonics Intervention Programme during Year 8.

Pupils who require **Maths catch-up** are supported by a numeracy intervention programme. This programme involves the creation of an additional Maths class with pupils being taught lessons based on the *Power of 2*. *Power of 2* is essentially about putting in place the building blocks of number and developing skills with mental calculations. As with our Phonics intervention, this programme is delivered to pupils in small groups (no more than 6) by a specialist Maths teacher supported by experienced HLTAs.

### How has the school used the additional funding?

In 2015-16 we received £17,500 of additional funding. The annual costs of the Reading and Maths catch up programmes are as follows:

- Reading catch up
  - Teaching costs (£37 per hour), 11 hours per fortnight - £7,733
  - HLTA costs (£16.50 per hour), 3 x 11 hours per fortnight – £10,345
  - Resources – *Read Write Inc.* £1,333
- Maths catch up
  - Teaching costs (£37 per hour), 6 hours per fortnight -- £4,218
  - HLTA costs (£16.50 per hour), 3 x 6 hours per fortnight – £5,643
  - Resources - *Power of 2* £100

Total cost: **£29372**