16 - 19 Tuition Fund Strategy Statement

2020/2021

The Department of Education announced funding to support students whose learning was disrupted as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This 16-19 Tuition Fund is available to all 16 to 19 providers such as Alperton Community School.

The funding is ring fenced for schools, colleges and other 16 - 19 providers in order to support small group tuition for students in English, Maths and other courses where learning has been disrupted.

The guidance indicates that the funding must be used to support students enrolled on 16 - 19 study programmes who did not achieve a Grade 4 or 5 in GCSE Maths and/or GCSE English by age 16. Priority will be given to those who achieved below Grade 4 in GCSE Maths and/or GCSE English.

Alperton Community School commits to using the small group tuition funding to mitigate against the impact of the pandemic on our students.

The subjects covered in the tuition will not be limited to English and Maths but will be identified according to need and existing programmes.

Support sessions will be limited to up to five students per group and will be facilitated by a combination of existing staff and external providers.

Students will be selected for small group tuition based on the guidance released by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). The full guidance can be accessed here.

Support sessions will be prioritised for the following students:

- Those with an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan
- Those who have a Grade 3 or below in GCSE Maths and/or GCSE English

Examples of how the funds will be invested include the following:

- Specialist Resources / Equipment for students
- 1:1 Mentoring with a focus on learning skills, SEMH, Transition
- Small Group subject tuition

Support offered will be based on an initial assessment of each individual. This includes the identification of each student's starting point, his / her learning needs, academic targets and further education/career plans.