

Evaluation of spending in 2016/17

The breakdown of the PPG spending is shown below. To ensure that all our disadvantaged students can access all that is on offer at the College, spending has been categorised in supporting *basic needs, enrichment support, pastoral support and academic support*. The details of the spending on these areas is shown in the table below.

In addition, we trialled the use of a team of 'Pupil Premium Ambassadors' – a group of teaching staff who are given an additional payment to support individuals on a one-to-one or small group basis once a week. Individual targets are set, any support needed to meet these targets is arranged, and the targets are then reviewed in the next meeting. The team of 10 teachers started working with 30 year 11 students in April 17 in the run up to the GCSE exams. From mid-June, the support goes to pupil premium students in year 10.

The trial with year 11 students was evaluated by questionnaire and the average results are below:

1 – strongly disagree, 2 – disagree, 3 – agree, 4 – strongly agree

<u>Statement</u>	<u>Score</u>
The mentor scheme has been useful overall	3.5
The advice given has been effective	3.6
I have been well supported throughout the programme	3.7
The resources provided have been useful for me	3.8
I am now more confident approaching my GCSEs	3.2
I would recommend the scheme to other students	3.7
The structure and timing of meetings has been good	3.6

An average of 5 individual meetings were provided for each student, with some attending up to 7.

Comments from the students about why it was useful included:

- *Extremely effective. I got advice on what to do with subjects I was struggling with.*
- *Target setting to help me focus every week*
- *I didn't feel confident anyway but this has made me more confident*
- *Having the opportunity to ask questions on a 1-1 basis*
- *Revision techniques and having support from someone to talk to. Equipment and revision guides.*

In terms of how to improve the programme, almost all the comments made were that it should start earlier in the year.

This evaluation of the programme indicates that it is a success, so it will be repeated for 17 – 18 and run from the beginning of the year.

Spending Plan 17 – 18: PPG grant £180, 466

Basic needs

Equipment and uniform

Enrichment support

Trips

IAG

Music lessons

Pastoral support – *In proportion to the number of eligible students using the services*

Parent liaison officer

College Counsellor

College Nurse

Support for young carers

Educational Psychologist

Adolescent mental health services

Academic Support

Pupil Premium Ambassador Programme

Teaching Assistant support

Homework Club

Literacy support

Primary School Liaison