

For the academic year 2020-21, the government has provided schools with 'Catch up' funding to support children in school. This is to support children to catch up on learning lost due to school closure. The funding can also be spent supporting children with their emotional wellbeing.

Schools are required to publish details of:

- How it is intended that the grant will be spent
- How the effect of this expenditure on the educational attainment of those pupils at the school will be assessed

At Stonehill, we have decided to spend the funding in the following ways:

- Buying the Herts 'Back on track' planning resources and training for English and Maths. These are followed by all teachers. When followed, the plans fill gaps in children's knowledge and understanding from the previous year, as well as allowing teachers to teach the current year's curriculum.
- Additional teaching hours for group work to support phonics learning in KS1.
- Further additional teaching hours to support children throughout the school.

The impact of this 'catch up' support will be evaluated using teacher assessments of attainment and progress (from baseline assessments and assessments post intervention), as well as standardised testing (phonics screening).

The impact of our spending will be monitored by the Governing Body.