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**WHAT SCHOOLS  
NEED TO KNOW  
ABOUT THE 2020/21  
COVID-19  
CATCH-UP FUNDING**

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# COVID-19 CATCH-UP FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS 2020/21

There are two pots of funding for schools during 2020/21 to help them support pupils catch up on lost teaching during the school closures.

- National Tutoring Programme (NTP)
- Universal Catch-Up Funding

Following research by the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF), the recommendation from the DfE is that both pots should be used by schools to fund small-group tuition.

## NATIONAL TUTORING PROGRAMME

The NTP will provide subsidised tutoring to schools from November 2020, with available places expected to increase during the Spring term.

It is expected that the majority of pupils selected for tutoring under the National Tutoring Programme will be eligible for Pupil Premium Grant.

75% of the cost of tutoring will be funded by the NTP, with schools paying the remaining 25%.

Pupils will receive tutoring in 15-hour blocks. The way these blocks are delivered will differ from provider to provider:

- 15 x 1-hour sessions
- 10 x 90-minute sessions
- 20 x 30-minute sessions
- Other combinations totalling 15 hours

Tutoring using the NTP funding must be provided by approved tuition providers, who will be announced on 31 October 2020.

Tutoring provided before 1 November cannot be paid for using NTP funding. However, schools can use their Universal Catch-Up funding to get started with tutoring during September and October.



## UNIVERSAL CATCH-UP PREMIUM

Most schools will also receive a catch-up premium for the academic year 2020-2021.

Schools should use this funding for specific activities to support pupils to catch up on lost teaching over the last few months.

It could be used:

- to fund the remaining 25% cost of tutoring provided under the NTP;
- to fund tutoring for pupils not eligible for the NTP.

The Universal Catch-Up Premium will fund schools at a total rate of £80 per pupil based on their latest available pupil data.

The first part of this money will be released to schools during the autumn term, and a second payment will come in early 2020 (totalling £46.67 per pupil across both payments, but with no details of the breakdown of this split). The remaining £33.33 per pupil will be paid to schools in the summer term.



**If your school is in the Dunstable, Luton or Leighton Buzzard area and would like more information about how Red Bird Tutoring could help your pupils this year, get in touch!**

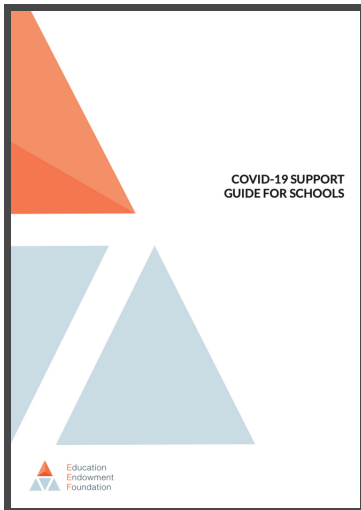
## USEFUL LINKS FOR SCHOOLS



### **NTP - Best Tutoring Practice Guide for Schools**

This brief guide aims to help state schools in England make the most of tutoring opportunities available through National Tutoring Programme (NTP) Tuition Partners. Key messages are based on the best available evidence for the tutoring models which will be delivered.

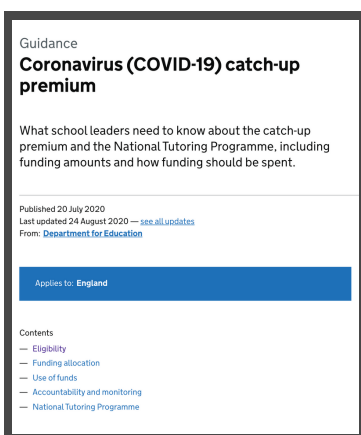
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### **EEF - COVID-19 Support Guide for Schools following school closures**

This guide is designed to help teachers and school leaders support their pupils effectively. It summarises support strategies that school leaders may consider including as part of their response to the pandemic.

[https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/public/files/Publications/Covid-19\\_Resources/Covid-19\\_support\\_guide\\_for\\_schools.pdf](https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/public/files/Publications/Covid-19_Resources/Covid-19_support_guide_for_schools.pdf)



### **DfE - Coronavirus (COVID-19) Catch-Up Premium**

What school leaders need to know about the catch-up premium and the National Tutoring Programme, including funding amounts and how funding should be spent.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-catch-up-premium#eligibility>

This guide has been compiled in good faith by Red Bird Tutoring, based on information available in August 2020. Please make sure that you always check the most up-to-date government guidance.