

Request:

Please can you share with me exactly how much money each school will be receiving from the extra Covid pot of money that is being allocated to schools due to missed education and thus pupils needing catch up time. My initial understanding based on the media is that schools put in an application for extra funding based on the needs of their specific school assessing every pupil, however I think my understanding might be incorrect and actually what happens is that the Councils are working to a formula based more on pupil premium figures. I want to understand exactly what formula is being used as I don't think that the measures are fair as if a school is relatively small and has low pupil premium figures then they are essentially going to get relatively less funding per pupil. In the case of the school my children attend it looks like they will hardly receive any extra money despite some pupils falling behind as a direct consequence of lockdown. Also I would really like to talk to someone directly within the Council to better understand how all the funding works. Is anyone available for this conversation? I will also be talking again with the school's head on Monday but I want to hear all sides as I think the support my child receives in school isn't adequate for his needs.

Response:

****The Covid catch up grant was allocated directly to schools from Government at a fixed price per pupil. NTC had no involvement.**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/catch-up-premium-coronavirus-covid-19/catch-up-premium>**