

King's Wood School Catch up Funding

Funding amount: £25,522

The table below outlines how we will be spending our Catch up Funding and the rationale behind each activity.

Activity	Rationale
Bike ability for Reception and Year 1	A lot of our children have poor core strength. This effects their ability to hold themselves up and concentrate during class. This also has an impact on their strength for writing. Many of our children do not have access to trikes, balance bikes or bikes at home. Having the opportunity to learn to ride a balance bike/bike, will help to increase their core strength and develop their muscles for writing. It also gives them an opportunity that they might not otherwise have.
Resources to follow up bike ability work	We want to continue the work that bike ability has done for our children and so Reception and year 1 will have their own balance bikes and bikes so the children can continue to develop their skills in their outdoor areas.
Shaking up Shakespeare	With EAL being a significant barrier to many of our children, Shaking up Shakespeare helps children to access challenging texts through drama and gives our children the confidence to explore texts and increase their language. This will also encourage our reluctant readers to engage with stories.
Parent writing workshops	Parent workshops will help the parents to support their children when they are writing at home. It will provide them with the knowledge of how we teach writing in school and make them aware of the expectations we have of the children.
The Puzzle Company workshops	Many of our children need to develop their collaborative working skills and strategic planning. These workshops help to promote these skills and support the independent skills we teach in school, such as perseverance.
The Puzzle Company resources	These resources will help to support the work done in the workshops. These can be explored in an after school club as well as part of the school day.
Team building – Green Park	Team building exercises give our children the opportunity to work on their social skills, communication skills as well as encouraging them to work together. These are all skills needed daily during the school day.
Author visits	Children will have the opportunity to meet an author and learn about the process of creating a story. Key skills, like story mapping, are taught which are transferred to the classroom.
Home learning resources for KS1 (summer term)	Many of our parents do not have the resources at home for their children to complete baking and craft activities. These home learning resources will include a pack of resources needed for the children to complete a particular activity. We

	would ask that parents support their children when doing this and talk about it as they do it. This will help support language skills.
Story sacks for KS1 (summer term)	Story sacks will help our children to visualise stories, remember the characters and the plot. It will also encourage our reluctant readers to engage with stories. Many drama activities can be done using story sacks which helps children verbalise stories and increases their oracy which is a focus here at King's Wood School.