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DFE state that ‘Children and young people across the country have experienced unprecedented disruption to their education as a result of coronavirus (COVID-19). Those from the most vulnerable and disadvantaged backgrounds will be among those hardest hit. The aggregate impact of lost time in education will be substantial and the scale of our response must match the scale of the challenge. We know that we have the professional knowledge and expertise in the education system to ensure that children and young people recover and get back on track. Returning to normal educational routines as quickly as possible will be critical to our national recovery, and the government intends for schools and colleges to fully open in September. The government has announced £1 billion of funding to support children and young people to catch up. This includes a one-off universal £650 million catch-up premium for the 2020 to 2021 academic year to ensure that schools have the support they need to help all pupils make up for lost teaching time.

Schools’ allocations will be calculated on a per pupil basis, at St Michael’s this equates to £2320. We are spending the grant on targeted support with a focus on reading and maths. In Y1 and Y2 our focus is on phonics and early reading and in Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 our focus is both on reading and on maths. In addition, in Reception, we will be taking part in a Nuffield Early Language Intervention programme. The impact of our spending will be measured in the progress that children make over time. The NELI programme has specific assessment built into it, reading will be assessed using phonic assessments and NFER reading tests, maths attainment will be assessed at the end of every unit and through White Rose assessments tests. We meet regularly to look at data and discuss pupil progress to measure impact.





