Thornleigh Sixth Form: 16-19 Tuition Fund Statement

What is the 16-19 tuition fund?

The 16-19 tuition fund for the 2021/2022 academic year is ring fenced for schools, colleges and all other 16 to 19 providers to support students and mitigate disruption to learning arising from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The funding is being provided to support small group tuition for 16-19-year olds where their learning has been disrupted and they have a GCSE Maths and / or English grade of 4 or below or are from an economically disadvantaged background. Although targeted students are identified based on their prior attainment in English and Maths, the funding can be used to support students in their learning across a variety of subjects.

Examples of disruption that these students have faced/will face include assessments being deferred due to lockdown or self-isolation, falling behind in their learning due to long / multiple periods of self-isolation and not being able to complete external examinations due to positive COVID-19 cases.

How will Thornleigh Sixth Form use the funding?

At Thornleigh Sixth Form we intend to utilise the funding to provide additional support to small groups of students that have not yet achieved a grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics or English. Other subjects may be identified according to individual need. Sessions will be limited to three to five students per group.

Priority for tuition will be afforded to the most disadvantaged students based on their socioeconomic background, SEND status and volume of disruption to their learning through COVID-19.

Thornleigh Sixth Form intends to use the funding, as follows:

• To provide small group tuition especially in GCSE English and Maths but also other academic and vocational subjects at Level 3. Tuition will be provided through existing staff, hiring new staff or buying in a service from a third-party provider.

• Record keeping complying with the fund requirements.

This statement is in line with the Government guidance and we have published this statement to demonstrate how this additional funding will be utilised in the academic year 2021/22. This document may be updated to reflect any changes in ESFA guidance.