

Local areas get breakdown in first stage of £14bn funding boost

The Government is today (19 December) informing local authorities across the country how much extra money they will receive next year from its multi-billion-pound investment in primary and secondary education.

In another step towards delivering on the government's pledge to invest a total of £14 billion more over the next three years, the Department for Education has published a breakdown of exactly how much money is being allocated to local authorities in England next year (2020-21) based on the latest pupil numbers.

Every school will get more money for every child – “levelling up” funding and helping to spread equality of opportunity for all – with every school set to receive the new minima of £5,000 per-pupil funding for secondary schools next year, and £3,750 for primaries, rising to £4,000 the following year. There will be big increases for the schools that need it most.

School Standards Minister Nick Gibb said:

We are delivering on our promise to level up funding to make sure every school receives more money for every child in the classroom.

Investing an additional £2.6 billion next year and an additional £7.1 billion a year by 2022-23 is an investment in the education and future of our young people and the dedicated teachers and staff who support them.

Today's figures follow the [Prime Minister's announcement](#) earlier this year that the budget for schools and high needs would be increased by £2.6 billion next year, £4.8 billion in 2021-22 and £7.1 billion in 2022-23 respectively – plus an extra £1.5 billion per year to fund additional pensions costs for teachers.

This total includes £780 million extra in 2020-21 to help children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) to reach their potential. Overall, this will bring the schools budget to £52.2 billion by 2022-23.

In October, the Government set out provisional allocations for schools and local authorities under the National Funding Formula. Today, we are [confirming those allocations for local authorities](#) – based on the latest pupil numbers.

The extra money, available from April, will:

- Ensure that per-pupil funding for all schools can rise at least in line with inflation

- Progress the implementation of our National Funding Formula, delivering promised gains in full for areas which have been historically under-funded
- Help schools to plan their budgets for the next financial year