

<u>Recovery Premium Statement</u> <u>October 2021 – July 2022</u>

Overview:

- The Academy will receive £28,638.00 recovery premium.
- The DfE state that this premium is to be used to reduce barriers to learning.
- A significant barrier to learning for a group of students at Bolder Academy is persistent non-attendance and increasing numbers who are joining as in-year admissions.

To address these priorities, an Attendance and Admissions Officer has been created in school to focus on these key areas. The cost of this post is exceed the recovery curriculum however, Bolder identifies a need for this to reduce the barriers to learning. Expected outcomes as a result of the creation of this post will be as follows:

- Reduction of persistent absenteeism.
- Stronger liaison with Educational Welfare and Social Services to ensure referrals are followed up by these services in a time appropriate way.
- Increase in the number of home visits conducted to hard to reach families.
- Further signposting of early help services available to hard to reach families.
- Recommend fixed penalty fines to EWS if families continue not to engage with school and learning despite significant support. This is to secure good educational outcomes.
- To further systemise attendance tracking and monitoring.
- To 'fill in the gaps' and gather information from previous schools as and when in year admissions transfer to Bolder academy (when this is lacking).
- To secure robust safeguarding procedures and transfer of information with new arrivals.
- To further systemise and support new starters and increase family contact to ensure integration into the school is strong and supportive.