

Committee(s) Education Board	Dated: 28/01/2021
Subject: Evaluation from the City of London Academies Trust on the Head Start Summer Catch-up Project	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	3, 8, 9 & 10
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	N
If so, how much?	N/A
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	N/A
Report of: Director of Community and Children's Services	For Information
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Summary

This report asks Members to note an evaluation report on the Head Start summer catch-up programme by the City of London Academies Trust (CoLAT) for August 2020. This project was funded by the City Corporation from the COVID-19 Contingency Fund. Members are asked to note the evaluation report included in **Appendix 1**.

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to note an evaluation report submitted by CoLAT on the Head Start Summer catch-up programme funded from the City Corporation's COVID-19 Contingency Fund. The report is included in **Appendix 1**.

Main Report

Background

1. In July 2020, the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Education Board, approved the provision of £70K from the COVID-19 Contingency Fund to support City of London Academies Trust (CoLAT) to deliver a 10-day summer catch-up programme to be delivered over August 2020. The programme aimed to focus on addressing learning gaps in English and Maths for pupils in Years 6 and 10 to support transitions into secondary school and GCSEs respectively. CoLAT submitted an interim evaluation report at the meeting on 24 September 2020 to be followed by a more detailed evaluation report completed in December 2020.

Current Position

2. The project was established to address potential or actual learning loss and the engagement of pupils in Years 10 and 5 from CoLAT schools. The funding was allocated to schools for a two-week programme over summer 2020 where pupils

were invited into school for onsite tuition in core subjects with ancillary pastoral and well-being support.

3. The report updates Members that the academic progress of the students who attended the provision was measured against the average for the whole cohort at the November half term assessment point and in every school there was a positive progress outcome compared to the average achievement of students in the same cohort.
4. The full evaluation report is included in **Appendix 1**.

Proposals

N/A

Options

N/A

Key Data

N/A

Corporate & Strategic Implications

N/A. This report is for information only.

Conclusion

5. Members are asked to note an evaluation report submitted by CoLAT on the Head Start Summer catch-up programme funded from the City Corporation's COVID-19 Contingency Fund. The report is included in **Appendix 1**.

Appendix 1 – Head Start Summer Catch-up Programme Evaluation Report. Submitted by Mark Emmerson, CEO of City of London Academies Trust (Non-Public).

Background papers – Education Activities Update. Meeting of the Education Board on 24 September 2020.

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