



Cost of the school day

Event	Barriers highlighted by pupils and families	Actions taken by VBC
Homework review	Homework that requires a suitable place to work, resources from home or digital access.	We have Sparx maths set up digitally for students. We also have given a laptop to all of our Outreach students, so they can access their online learning. This is a twelve-week loan agreement.
School dinners review	Identify who are eligible for FSM. Children who don't take up their FSM entitlement.	Pupil Voice on school meals. Principal and Lead Cook meet to discuss and agree on menu. Students that are entitled to FSM receive a free pack up for all school trips.
Celebrations review	Cost of craft projects. Cost of bringing in specific items from home like food or clothing.	School provides all ingredients for cooking. Vintage clothes stall at Enterprise fair Free nearly-new Christmas jumpers available on request
Period products awareness	Pupils missing school days due to not being able to afford sanitary products.	All toilets have sanitary products that students can help themselves to if they haven't got any.

		Wellbeing team are available for daily check ins and help with personal hygiene. Deodorant products available to pupils in school.
Exams	<p>Equipment needed for exams including stationary and calculators.</p> <p>Cost of revision guides and materials.</p> <p>Pupils feeling under pressure in relation to their exams.</p> <p>Pupil missing breakfast before the tests.</p>	<p>VBC provide all equipment needed for all exams.</p> <p>VBC buy in and provide all Year 11 students with a revision guide for GCSE English, maths and Biology.</p> <p>Wellbeing team check in with all students.</p> <p>Exams Officer asks tutors to provide all access arrangements for all students to ease the pressure. This includes supervised rest breaks, access to a reader or a scribe or access to a laptop.</p> <p>All students who arrive on the morning of an exam are given a bottle of water, some breakfast and a piece of fruit.</p>
Music	<p>Cost of instrument or vocal tuition.</p> <p>Instrument to practice at home.</p> <p>Suitable space to practice.</p>	<p>KS3 have music lessons.</p> <p>We have a tutor, Jamie Honhold, that comes into school and gives 1:1 lessons with students.</p>

		VBC has a built in music room within our intervention room. School provides all instruments.
School Census Day	Families missing out on FSM.	All tutors choose their own bespoke reward to encourage pupils to come in.
Art/Textiles exams	Cost of additional resources or materials.	VBC provide all equipment needed to complete their exams.