

Please provide examples of Covid costs and savings on schools to f40

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To all f40 Executive Committee members, Cabinet Members, Directors, School Finance Managers, and School Forum Chairs

Hi

You may recall that I wrote to you recently informing that members of the f40 Executive met with the Department for Education's funding team to discuss additional costs incurred by schools during the Covid pandemic.

It was a very good meeting, with constructive discussion around additional costs. During the meeting, the DfE said it would be beneficial for them to have more detail and case study information around additional expenditure and savings, which they could share with the Treasury during funding talks.

It is in our interests, and that of our schools, to assist where we can, so we are asking our members to provide some key examples and specific cost information on the following:

- PPE and other costs to SEND schools
- Impact of teacher absences on schools' ability to cope with Covid – what impact is it having on their daily operations
- Supply teacher costs
- IT costs in meeting new remote learning requirements
- Savings to schools – achieved during first lockdown period

Please don't send everything to us, but if you could provide a few examples of the things that are affecting your schools the most, we would be grateful.

If you have any statistics, examples, or case study information, relating to a school, multi-academy trust or authority, that would demonstrate the impact of Covid on schools and education, share them with us and we will pass them onto the Department for Education.

Please send any information to me at this email address by Friday, January 22, 2021.

Many thanks, and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

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