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LORD ANDREW ADONIS, FORMER MINISTER OF STATE FOR EDUCATION

**MAKING
SUPPLEMENTARY
SCHOOLS**

**WORK FOR
YOUR SCHOOL**

WHAT IS A SUPPLEMENTARY SCHOOL?

Supplementary schools are community-led, out-of-school education programmes.

They offer core curriculum teaching, language tuition and cultural activities such as theatre and dance. Most supplementary schools run their activities on Saturday or on weekday evenings.

THERE ARE 3,000–5,000 SUPPLEMENTARY SCHOOLS RIGHT ACROSS THE COUNTRY



UP TO
30%

of all migrant and BME pupils attend a supplementary school as well as a mainstream school



of supplementary schools teach community languages

68%

OFFER CORE CURRICULUM SUPPORT AND GCSE TUITION



THE CHALLENGE FACING MANY MAINSTREAM SCHOOLS

**SCHOOLS FACE MULTIPLE PRESSURES
BROUGHT ON BY POPULATION GROWTH,
PUPIL MOBILITY, AND DIVERSITY**

Too many BME children are failing to fulfill their potential once they leave school, and migrant children in particular face barriers due to their English as an Additional Language (EAL) needs.

At the same time, many schools are struggling to offer diverse school leadership to match their student body, and to find qualified community language teachers.

In 2014, just under **30%** of all pupils in state-funded primary schools were BME.

This number has increased by **60%** in the 10 years since 2004.

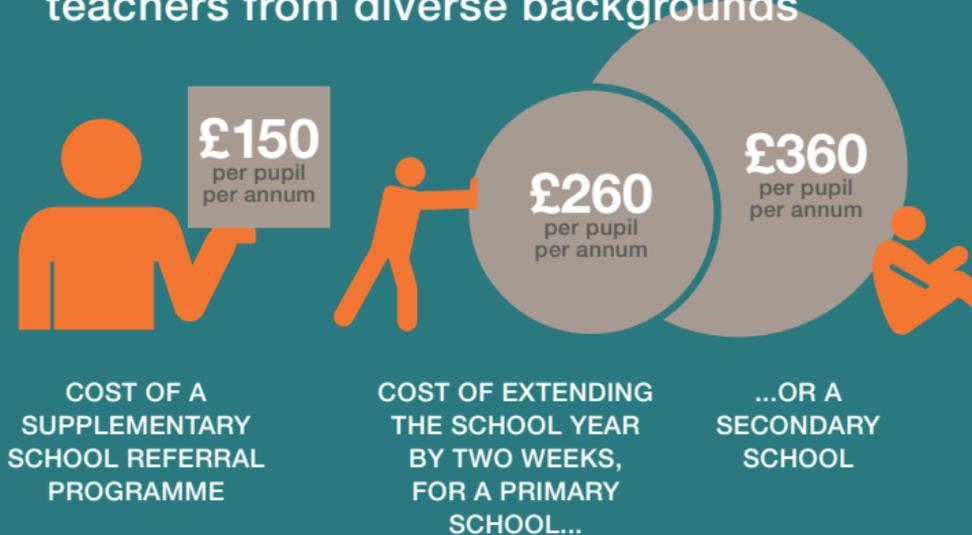
But this growth is not matched in leadership positions, where just...



HOW COULD A SUPPLEMENTARY SCHOOL HELP YOUR PUPILS SUCCEED?

Partnering with a supplementary school in your area is a cost-effective way to:

- Offer high-quality community language teaching
- Engage with pupils' parents, especially from hard-to-reach migrant families
- Boost enrichment and extracurricular activities
- Provide role models for your pupils and teachers from diverse backgrounds



Supplementary provision costs according to the Paul Hamlyn Foundation, based on the Stag Lane, Norbury and Whitefield models.

Extended year costs according to the Education Endowment Foundation.

WHAT DO WE KNOW?

We've been researching the value and potential of supplementary schools within the British education system.

For more information, see our new report, *Saturdays for success*. Visit www.IPPR.org/publications/saturdays-for-success

HOW CAN YOU WORK WITH A SUPPLEMENTARY SCHOOL?

1

Identify which supplementary schools your pupils are currently attending

- Survey parents, and look at the quality and range of schools their children are attending.
- Contact your local council to seek background information and records on local supplementary schools.
- Use the NRCSE online database to help assess quality.

2

Join a local referral programme to take advantage of supplementary schools in your area – or set up a new network

- Refer pupils who would benefit from extra-hours support to supplementary schools.
- Join up with other local schools to set up a multi-school referral programme.
- Pair local supplementary schools with your teachers, to share experiences, skills and expertise.
- Share curriculum resources with supplementary school teachers, or offer training on the curriculum.

3

Partner with supplementary schools to share services, facilities and support

- Share services and facilities with supplementary schools at no cost or subsidised rates.
- Approach supplementary schools to exchange use of your facilities for their support for your pupils from migrant backgrounds.
- Tap into the potential of supplementary schools to provide teachers and advise on curriculum development in diverse languages.

FOR MORE INFORMATION...

Visit the website of the National Resource Centre for Supplementary Education (NRCSE) at www.supplementaryeducation.org.uk

Before referring your pupils to a supplementary school, or exploring the potential of a referral network in your area, you should be confident that local provision is of a high standard. NRCSE provides information on schools that have passed the quality assurance framework.



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