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Ongoing assessment of individual attainment and progress in all subjects

Specialist support and intervention to raise attainment for those making less than expected progress

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### Year 8

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