

## DSG Funding Blocks

There are four DSG funding blocks as explained below:

- Schools
- High Needs
- Early Years
- Central Schools Services (new block)

The **Schools block** covers funding for:

- a) Individual mainstream schools and academies
- b) Growth Funding for planned growth by the LA in schools

The **High Needs block** covers funding for the education of pupils subject to Education, Health and Care Plans from age 0-25 in a range of provision including special schools, mainstream schools, alternative provision, independent specialist provision and Council centrally retained expenditure for High Needs.

The **Early Years block** covers:

- a) Two Year Old Funding
- b) Early Years Funding in Schools and Private, Voluntary and Independent provision (PVI's)
- c) Centrally retained expenditure for under 5's

The **Central Schools Services block** covers:

- a) Funding previously allocated through the retained duties element of the Education Services Grant (ESG) which has been discontinued from 2018/19
- b) Central school services which includes the expenditure related to Schools Forum, Premature Retirements, Admissions service, ICT for schools and School Improvement
- c) School Licenses
- d) Statutory and Regulatory duties