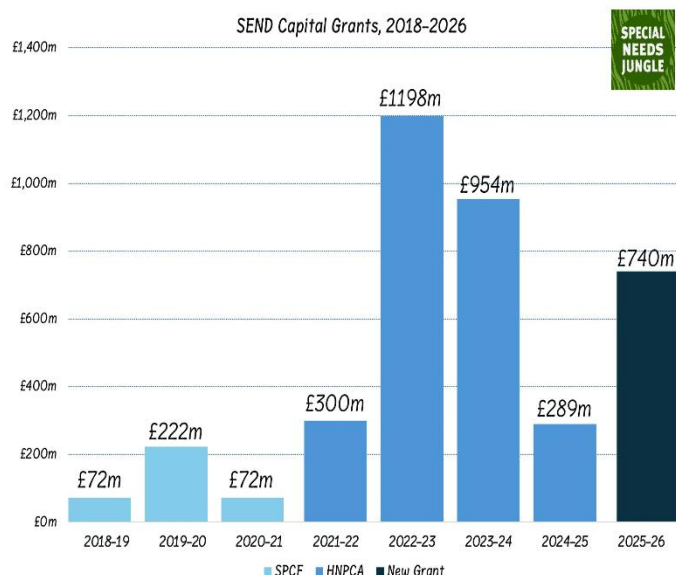




- **Honours Awards Assemblies:** we are pleased to see many SEN students have been nominated for honours awards.
- **Meet the Keyworker event:** Thank you to everyone who attended the 'Meet the Keyworker' event a few weeks ago. It is always helpful to everyone to have open and productive parent-school relationships and we enjoyed seeing all of you.
- **New LSA joining us:** The SEN team are very happy to welcome Mrs Julie Ford, LSA and keyworker. Mrs Ford will be the LSA working mainly with Year 8 and has a strong background in reading and literacy, so will be spearheading our reading interventions with Miss Milburn.

- **Announcement of new SEN budget by the government:**

- You may have seen in the news that the new Labour government has just announced a new grant of an additional £740 million to SEN provision in mainstream schools. Even though we are not entirely sure how this money will be allocated by Local Authorities, we are excited to see how these upcoming changes could affect our SEN department at SVCS. You can see a critical analysis of the new budget plans by clicking on the graph to the right.



- **Christmas has come to the SEN**

Room!: Mrs Pearson has been our SEN Christmas angel this year, sourcing us a tree and two advent calendars for students in U11. Our festively decorated room has been a delight to spend time in and some students and staff have even tied their Christmas wishes to the tree.

- **Social skills intervention shoutout:** 13 of our SEN students are currently undertaking social skills interventions, split between two groups of Year 7&8 and Year 9&10. We have been so impressed as a whole with their attitude and willingness to learn what is such a nuanced set of skills!

