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The Mayor of Slough has officially opened a new centre aimed at helping children to build on the foundations of what they have been taught at school.

Cllr Arvind Dhaliwal cut the ribbon of the brand new tuition centre in Langley, which is set to create new jobs.

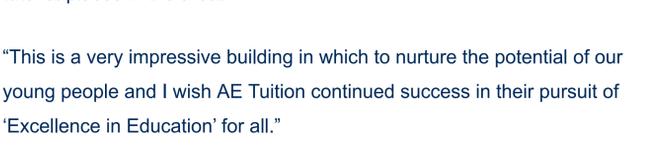
AE Tuition – which has been successfully running an existing tuition centre in Slough for more than 10 years – purchased this new building to meet the growing demand for places.

Since opening in September, the new centre has been catering for 250 children – this is expected to rise to 750 children by September 2017.

The Mayor, Cllr Dhaliwal, said: "I am extremely pleased to have been invited to officially open this new centre, the second in Slough for AE Tuition.

"This additional facility here in Langley will offer significant employment opportunities and an increased pupil capacity to meet the growing demand for tutorial places in the area.

"This is a very impressive building in which to nurture the potential of our young people and I wish AE Tuition continued success in their pursuit of 'Excellence in Education' for all."



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Much of the demand for places at the new tuition centre is from parents who want to prepare their children for the annual 11+ entry exams for Berkshire's six grammar schools, four of which are in Slough, along with the 13 grammar schools in neighbouring Buckinghamshire.

Owner, teacher and former government advisor, Dr Stephen Curran, said: "We are delighted that the Mayor has officially opened our new centre.

"We have been looking to expand for quite some time because the demand has become so high – we have had to turn families away.

"There are many parents out there who not only want to help their child pass the 11+ exam, which is just part of the service we offer, but who also want to boost their children's skills in the core subjects."

Dr Curran added: "I'm passionate about the need for children to acquire the basics at primary school age before they go to secondary school and it seems many parents agree with me.

"I am therefore delighted that we can help meet that demand with our second tuition centre and help even more children unlock their academic potential."

Dr Curran first began tutoring in his spare time, while working as a teacher in the 1990s.

By 1999, he had so many groups of students that he hired a hall in which to teach them and employed four assistants to support him.

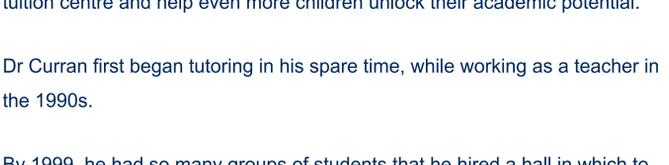
Before long there were two more teachers and 30 assistants and Dr Curran focussed on tutoring full time, forming his company AE Tuition. In 2005 he opened his first permanent base in Slough.

Since then Dr Curran has gone on to write the AE Publications series of 'how-to' books for children aged 7 to 12 and was invited by the government to sit as an advisor on the new Maths National Curriculum.

"Accelerated Education came about because I noticed that children were not doing as well as they should at the end of their primary school years," Dr Curran reflected.

"Children often left primary school ill equipped, because they hadn't focussed sufficiently on learning the basic skills.

"Our tuition centres are all about ensuring that the fundamental skills are in place so young people are ready to tackle education as it becomes more complex in secondary years."



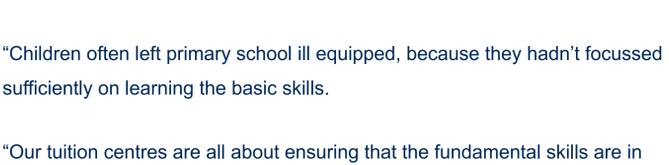
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