

YSGOL Cystennin - Pupil Development Grant Statement

The purpose of the Pupil Development Grant is to improve the educational attainment and achievements of pupils who are entitled to free school meals (eFSM).

WG Definition 2018 - The PDG should be used to support the needs of all children who are or have been eFSM in the previous two years or are looked after. The PDG is intended to provide support to disadvantaged learners to overcome the additional barriers that prevent those from disadvantaged backgrounds achieving their full potential.'

As a school, we will implement the PDG to:

Criteria	✓	X
Develop early literacy and numeracy approaches		
Support all eligible learners, including those who are MAT.		
Forensically track pupils, identify underachievement and use robust intervention strategies.		
Place a high priority on teaching and learning, quality feedback and metacognition		
Ensure support staff are highly trained and clearly identify the provision they are leading on		
Target Early Intervention Strategies with at least 60% of secondary schools' PDG to be invested in key stage 3 learners.		
Develop effective systems and processes for tracking pupil's progress		
Ensure that all PDG statements are published (school website or forwarded to GwE).		

In addition to the above we have used the PDG funding to:

- Deploy a TA to deliver intervention strategies in literacy and numeracy
- Deploy a TA to deliver Social skills and nurture sessions.
- Purchase social skills resources.
- Create quiet areas around the school to support pupils in regulating their emotions, in response to Trauma Informed training.

In 2023-2024 Ysgol Cystennin were allocated a total Pupil Development Grant of £33,350

Ysgol Cystennin has reference to PDG in the annual SDP as a vehicle for planning or a comprehensive plan, agreed and monitored by GwE and Conwy Local Authority.

It is not appropriate for the school to publish a detailed plan as it could identify individual pupils.