

St Brigid's Schools' Pupil Development Grant Statement (formerly the Pupil Deprivation Grant) 2017-18

The purpose of the Pupil Development Grant is to improve the educational attainment of pupils from low income families and who are entitled to free school meals (eFSM), pupils who are LAC (Looked after) or previously LAC (Looked after). Schools are expected to maximise the use of this funding by introducing sustainable strategies which will quickly lead to improved outcomes for these.

As a school, we want to learn from the best practice in Wales and beyond by:

1. planning interventions that focus on improving the attainment of pupils from deprived backgrounds, regularly monitoring pupils' progress and evaluating the impact of the intervention.
2. integrating plans for the effective use of the PDG into the School Development Plan, basing our practice on sound evidence and including them as part of a whole school strategy.
3. balancing whole school strategies with targeted interventions to ensure that all learners entitled to free school meals benefit or are LAC as individuals, whilst the whole school also develops its ability to support every learner to achieve their full potential.

In 2017-18 St Brigid's School were allocated a total Pupil Development Grant of **£35,745**

St Brigid's School has a comprehensive plan, agreed and monitored by GwE and Denbighshire Local Authority, to promote high expectations attainment and progress and to remove barriers to learning for pupils entitled to this funding.

We have used the funding available to:

- Provide assistance for overseas school trips
- Provide assistance for extra-curricular lessons
- Fund play therapy sessions
- Fund classroom and homework Club staffing - in school day
- Provide Literacy and Numeracy support sessions in primary and secondary
- Fund the BKS B Literacy and numeracy programme
- Provide ICT equipment, licences and access to ICT led learning programmes

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