



Dyffryn Taf School PDG Statement

The Pupil Deprivation Grant (PDG) is allocated to schools with pupils who come from low-income families and are currently known to be eligible for free school meals (e-FSM) and pupils who have been looked after continuously for more than six months (LAC).

Schools are expected to make the best use of this funding to implement sustainable strategies to tackle deprivation and raise standards, particularly supporting those pupils eligible for free school meals or who are LAC.

As a school we have agreed the following three steps:

1. to identify the target group of pupils, its characteristics and needs
2. to plan interventions which make the most effective use of resources
3. to monitor and evaluate the impact of resources

In 2015-16, Dyffryn Taf was provided with a PDG allocation of £63000.

At Dyffryn Taf, we have a comprehensive plan, agreed and monitored by Carmarthenshire Local Authority and ERW, to promote progress and remove barriers to learning for students eligible for this funding.

We are using the funding available to:

- provide intervention and support to help ensure pupils engage in curricular and extra-curricular activities
- provide support for literacy and / or numeracy where needed
- provide specific high quality training for school staff focused on proven high impact strategies as identified by the Sutton Toolkit
- implement and use systems to identify learners' needs and target interventions
- improve attendance of target group through the work of the Wellbeing Officer
- support learners and their families to help maximise engagement in school life.