



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). There is also funding for those pupils who have been looked after by the Local Authority continuously for more than six months (LAC).

Ysgol Y Grango received a grant of £128,800 in the financial year 2016-17. This money is being used to ensure that the learning needs of some of the most vulnerable pupils in our school are met.

We have made research led decisions to determine how the funding will be used, identifying ways of spending the money that will have the greatest impact on the eligible pupils. We have therefore used the funding available to:

- Ensure cohesion between key stages and maintenance of support & interventions for e-FSM pupils from KS2 to KS3
- Further develop FSM parental engagement & communications
- Develop the role of teaching assistants in supporting FSM pupils
- Develop new attendance strategies with FSM pupils, including Attendance Improvement Plans
- Provide support for literacy, numeracy, emotional, behavioural and specific learning needs.
- As part of restructuring of Learning Support department, re-direct TA & Learning Coach support towards the additional learning needs of FSM pupils as appropriate.
- Provide contingency fund for FSM pupil costs for uniform, learning resources, equipment, trips and activities as identified by pastoral & department teams on an individual needs basis
- Part fund staffing costs of additional teachers in English & maths to facilitate smaller teaching groups & increased individual support for FSM pupils
- Embed literacy & numeracy boost & catch-up work – part fund staffing & resource costs for intervention/support for FSM pupils
- Provide ICT facilities and support for FSM pupils
- Provide proportion of costs of truancy call & attendance officer staffing costs to improve FSM pupils' attendance/engage parents
- Introduce accelerated Maths and Accelerated Reader