

Ysgol Treffynnon's Pupil Development Grant Statement

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). Schools are expected to maximise the use of this funding by introducing sustainable strategies which will quickly lead to improved outcomes for pupils entitled to free school meals.

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 as individuals, whilst the whole school also develops its ability to support every learner to achieve their full potential.

In 2019-20 Ysgol Treffynnon were allocated a total Pupil Development Grant of £109,250

Ysgol Treffynnon 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:

- Fund the employment of a Pastoral Support Officer to support FSM pupils with not only all aspects of behavior but with parental involvement, peer tutoring, social aspects of learning.
- To fund Epraise software for pupil rewards.
- Fund Alternative Curriculum's where required.
- Fund Teaching Assistant to support in catch up and Homework clubs

- Fund additional tuition, vocational courses and associated costs for FSM pupils to increase attainment levels and ensure all pupils leave school with qualifications.
- Fund Breakfast Club 5 days per week.
- Fund a contribution for peripatetic music provision for GCSE FSM pupils.
- Fund a contribution for DofE expeditions.
- Fund cases of hardship.

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