

Castell Alun High School - 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). 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 utilise the PDG to:

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

Develop effective systems and processes for tracking students' progress

We will ensure that PDG information is published on the school website and submitted to GwE

In 2020-21 Castell Alun High School was allocated a total Pupil Development Grant of £110,400

A breakdown of the funding that has been allocated to Castell Alun is shown below:

- 1) Tracking/ mentoring / coaching - £40,000 (April 2020 – March 2021)
- 2) Access to specialist support teaching/training - £40,000 (September 2020 – March 2021)
- 3) Direct financial support for resources, access to educational visits and extra-curricular activities - £5000 (September 2020 – March 2021)
- 4) Study Club provision before and after school - £3000 (April 2020 – March 2021)
- 5) Enhanced attendance and pastoral support - £22,400 (April 2020 – March 2021)

Castell Alun High School makes reference to PDG in the annual SDP as a vehicle for planning.