



Grant Plans 2019-2020

Schools in Wales receive a Pupil Development Grant (PDG) which provides financial assistance to help tackle the effects of poverty on attainment and reduce inequality.

The total number of pupils on the school roll for September 2019 is 205 (Nursery to Year 6.)

The school's FSM (free school meal) population is decreasing slightly to 43% (3 year rolling average) It is the highest of all Primary Schools in Blaenau Gwent. Some year groups have up to more than 50% FSM pupils in the class and some have less.

The total allocation for PDG to this school for April 2019 – 2020 is £88,550 and the Early Year PDG is £14,000

The school undertakes the following activities in order to support pupils facing the challenges of poverty and deprivation:-

Salary costs for catch-up and intervention programmes = £76543

- Teaching assistant support 50% to cover catch-up in Literacy and Numeracy in Year 2 and addressing the social and emotional needs of pupils in both key phases through ELSA and Rainbows programmes.
- Teaching assistant to provide Number Recovery in Year 1 and Numicon catch-up in Reception.
- Teaching assistant support allocated for Numeracy through Catch-up activities in Key Stage 2 reducing the impact of deprivation and underachievement on attainment.
- Teaching assistant to provide RWI catch-up in the Foundation Phase.
- Administration support to operate as Attendance Manager using the Callio system.
- THRIVE social and Emotional Support programme

Resources- In line with School Development Plan (£4007)

- Maths/Science Resources: £2000
- Arts Participation: £2007

Enrichment Activities: (£6500)

- Trips out of school funded or part funded to make them accessible to all pupils and Visitors to school eg theatre groups, pantomimes £2500
- Music provision and workshops (additional) £4000

Staff Training: £1500

Total allocation for Early Years PDG: £14,000

- **Staffing costs part funding:** Increase in staff-pupil ratios to address low baseline and provide additional support for early years pupils.
- Trips out of school funded or part funded to make them accessible to all pupils
- Parental engagement through Family Connect Project and PACT sessions.
- Outdoor learning
- New Curriculum for Early Years

The Grant Plans are regularly scrutinised by the Governing Body and EAS and monitored by the Local Authority to ensure value for money.