

PUPIL DEVELOPMENT GRANT EXPENDITURE REPORT 2023 - 24

The purpose of the Pupil Development Grant funding is to help schools to improve educational attainment and achievements of learners from low income households.

More information about the Welsh Government funding and definition can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

As a school, we want to learn from the best practice in Wales and beyond by:

- planning interventions that focus on improving the attainment of learners from low income households, regularly monitoring learner progress and evaluating the impact of the intervention;
- integrating plans for the effective use of the PDG into the School Improvement Plan, basing our practice on sound evidence and including them as part of a whole school strategy;
- balancing whole school strategies with targeted interventions to ensure that all learners from low income households benefit as individuals, whilst the whole school develops its ability to support every learner to achieve their full potential.

Each school in Wales is allocated a sum of money the 'Pupil Development Grant (PDG)' based on the number of learners who are eligible for free school meals (eFSM) and learners who are Looked After Children (LAC).

In 2023-24, Acton Park Primary School were allocated £115,000.

This funding has allowed us to:

- Provide additional TA hours to facilitate intervention groups in literacy and numeracy.
- Provide additional TA hours to facilitate intervention groups to support pupils' emotional health & wellbeing.
- Provide additional TA hours to allow all pupils to attend Forest Schools (outdoor learning) sessions within our Forest Classroom – across the school year.
- Employ additional teaching staff to lower adult: pupil ratios across all year groups.
- To purchase resources for our new library room including books and furniture.

At Acton Park Primary School our PDG (Pupil Development Grant) spending plan is agreed by the governing body and monitored by GwE, our Regional Consortia and Wrexham Local Authority.

At Acton Park Primary School we have high expectations for all our learners and aim to ensure that the necessary support is focused on individual needs of each and every child.

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

All parents can be reassured that all children are treated fairly and equally at Acton Park Primary School and that all information in relation to the PDG is treated with discretion and confidentiality.