



Ponthenri School PDG Statement

The Pupil Development 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) and pupils who have been looked after continuously for more than six months (LAC).

Schools are expected to make the best use of this funding to implement sustainable strategies that will quickly bring about changes for learners eligible for free school meals or who are LAC.

As a school we have agreed the following three steps:

1. to identify the target group of pupils, its characteristics and needs
2. to plan interventions which make the most effective use of resources
3. to monitor and evaluate the impact of resources

In 2017/18 Ponthenri School was provided with a **PDG** allocation of £ **£18,400**.

At **Ponthenri School** we have a comprehensive plan, agreed and monitored by Carmarthenshire Local Authority and ERW, to promote progress and remove barriers to learning for students eligible for this funding.

We have used the funding available to:

- enhance teaching and learning by providing programme of support – tailoring the curriculum and improving provision through enhancing pupils learning and experiences.
- provide intervention and support programmes that are proven to have the greatest impact and to be sustainable – such as “Llythrennau a synau/ letters and sounds” to improve literacy skill and “Thinking Detectives “ in order to target behaviour and pupils well being.
- implement and use data tracking systems to identify learners’ needs, target interventions and monitor impact.
- work in partnership with other schools, the community and other organisations- Ysgol Carwe and Ysgol Gwynfryn.
- improve attendance of target group by using interventions and working with the Education Welfare Officer.
- Our detailed plan which includes details in respect to how we’re spending the grant is available on request from the school.



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