

ABERAERON COMPREHENSIVE 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 bring about changes quickly 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 groups of pupils, their characteristics and learning needs
2. To plan interventions which make the most effective use of resources
3. To monitor and evaluate the impact of resources

In 2018-19, Aberaeron Comprehensive School was provided with a PDG allocation of £ 42,550.

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

We have used the available funding to:

- enhance teaching and learning by providing programmes of support.
- provide sustainable intervention and support programmes that are proven to have the greatest impact.
- refine data tracking systems to identify these learners' needs, track their progress towards targets, and to monitor the impact of interventions effectively.
- work in partnership with other schools, the community and other organisations.
- intervene to improve attendance of target group by using specific interventions.
- develop leadership capacity to identify and evaluate the impact of these measures in terms of improving the quality of provision and outcomes for pupils in the target groups, and to intervene effectively and in timely fashion if progress is unsatisfactory.