

## Ysgol Penyffordd

### Pupil Deprivation Grant

The Pupil Deprivation Grant (PDG) is one of the Welsh Government's principal means of providing financial support for three main priorities for schools:

- Improving standards of literacy
- Improving standards of numeracy
- Reducing the impact of poverty on educational attainment

The grant is to be utilised to overcome any additional barriers that learners from disadvantaged backgrounds face which may prevent them from attaining as well as their peers.

In September 2019 Ysgol Penyffordd had 324 pupils on roll; the school's Free School Meal and looked-after children (LAC) population was 8.9%.

The total allocation of the PDG to this school for April 2019 – March 2020 is £17,250 and the school has undertaken the following activities to support pupils facing these challenges: Provide increased support for wellbeing including appointing a Pastoral Support Assistant, nurture group for Foundation Phase and Key Stage Two. Making family engagement a key priority – involving family members in their child's learning in a wide variety of ways. Funding music lessons and residential trips for pupils who are eligible for free school meals.

Ysgol Penyffordd's PDG plans will be regularly scrutinised by the Governing Body and monitored by the Local Authority.