

Pupil Development Grant Poster

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Pupil Development Grant (PDG) - Access

Get up to £125 to buy school uniform, equipment, sports kit and kit for activities outside of school for your child.



Looked-after children and learners eligible for free school meals will be eligible for this grant if they are:

- ✓ entering reception class in primary school
- ✓ entering year 7 in secondary school
- ✓ aged 4 or 11 in special schools, special needs resource bases or pupil referral units



For more information and to apply for this grant please visit www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales or contact us on 01267 246589



Pupil Development Grant (PDG)

What is PDG?

A Pupil Development Grant is available to assist families on a low income to buy school uniform, sports kit, uniform for enrichment activities, school bags, stationery etc. Please note IT equipment is excluded from this grant.

www.cardiff.gov.uk

Who can get it?

The grant is available to pupils entering:

- Reception class or Year 3 of a maintained primary school
- Year 7 or Year 10 of a maintained secondary school
- Aged 4, 7, 11 or 14 in a special school, additional learning needs resource base or a pupil referral unit.

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<https://gov.wales/pupil-development-grant-pdg-poster-schools>

Why was it introduced?

The point of the policy was to mitigate the structural inequalities that some of these children experienced living in poverty. It **doesn't matter what their levels of attainment are; they can be high-achieving pupils**, for all I care. They also ought to receive the benefit, because the argument is that **they should be doing better than where they are now**. And I think schools have not really grasped that, partly again because there are other priorities in the school, particularly for many schools about raising levels of attainment.

<https://seneddresearch.blog/2018/04/11/next-steps-for-the-pupil-development-grant/>

Pupil Deprivation Grant



What interventions should you use in your school?

Feedback

- Set goals to increase learning
- Provide specific guidance on how to improve
- Turn mistakes into a positive learning experience



Metacognition and self-regulation

- Encourage learners to plan and organise
- Promote thinking and encourage questioning



Peer tutoring

- Cross-aged tutoring can be more effective
- Set challenging activities to make tutoring beneficial



Collaborative learning

- Encourage learners to talk and articulate thinking
- Develop structured approaches when designing activities



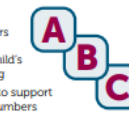
Digital technology

- Use to support, not to replace traditional methods



Early Years

- Show parents/carers how they can be involved in their child's pre-school learning
- Develop activities to support pre-reading and numbers



Parental involvement

- Provide parents/carers with simple methods to support their children
- Ensure the school environment is welcoming
- Develop a flexible approach to fit around parents'/carers' schedule



Teaching assistants

- Use for specific interventions and pre-teaching
- Provide training so teachers and teaching assistants work together
- Train on assessment for learning and use of questioning



For further information on evidence-based interventions visit the [Sutton Trust Toolkit](http://www.sutton-trust.co.uk)

www.learning.wales.gov.uk @dfeswales

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