

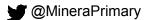
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Dear Parents,

Re: Pupil Deprivation Grant.

Like many schools in Wales, Minera receives the Pupil Deprivation Grant. The grant was launched in 2012 and provides additional funding to schools based on the number of pupils on roll eligible for Free School Meals or who are Looked After Children. Schools are provided with and are directed to spend funds on evidence-based interventions to help close the attainment gap.

In line with Welsh Government directives the school is obliged to report on how the grant is utilised. This year Minera School received, £9,600, which has been allocated and used in the following ways:

- Provision of teaching assistants to support pupils through intervention groups including; communication, numeracy, classroom and individual support.
- Purchase of pupil specific iPads
- More Able and Talented support and resources
- Collaborative working release time to develop Numerical Reasoning and our More Able and Talented provision. We are currently working with Penygelli School to develop Numerical Reasoning and with St. Giles, Penygelli and Ysgol Clywedog, to develop our provision for More Able and Talented pupils.
- Staff Development; Numicon, Numerical Reasoning and Data analysis training
- Provision of staff to analyse data from testing
- INCERTs to track and monitor pupils' progress
- Purchase of resources to implement findings from test analysis

Further funding will be based on future levels of Free School Meals and Looked After Children, so future allocations could rise or fall accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Partridge



