

## THE EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT (EIG) and PUPIL DEPRIVATION GRANT (PDG)

The Education Improvement Grant (EIG) and Pupil Deprivation Grant (PDG) are the Welsh Government's principal means of providing financial support for the three national priorities for schools: Improving standards in Literacy, improving standards in Numeracy and improving the impact of poverty on educational attainment. For the academic year 2015/16 Ysgol Bryn Hedydd has received a £60,300 in both grants. We are using the grants to fund the following activities:

- Employment of Teaching Assistants to work with targeted children either one-to-one or in small groups to undertake 'Catch Up' Literacy and Numeracy sessions.
- Employment of Teaching Assistants to undertake several of the STT approaches: feedback/ meta-cognition/ small group working and one to one tuition to improve self-confidence and social skills in particular working/ cooperating with others.
- Release of teacher in morning session to undertake group work with Free School Meal (FSM) pupils to increase attainment levels.
- Cluster Transition / Peer mentoring for FSM pupils' project. A more supported and seamless transition for students on FSM to High School to ensure academic attainment does not dip.
- Investment in technology to enhance learning and life opportunities.
- Development of self-esteem groups for FSM and Looked After Children (LAC) groups through external activities.

The impact and evaluation of these activities will be undertaken on a regular basis.