

Pupil Deprivation Grant

The Government provides all schools with an annual grant, known as the pupil deprivation grant (PDG) in addition to main school funding, to help students from low-income and disadvantaged families to achieve. The PDG is allocated to schools based on the number of students who have ever been eligible for free school meals and children who are looked after.

At St. Martin's School we have high aspirations and ambitions for ALL our students and strive to ensure they are each given the best possible chance of achieving their potential. We are fully aware that students who qualify for the PDG range enormously, in terms of academic ability and in the nature of support required. In the past two years, we have adopted a much more focused approach to address this spectrum of needs.

We deploy a range of interventions for all year groups that combine challenge and support, with a view to maximising progress. In order to measure impact, these interventions are monitored regularly and adapted accordingly. As a result, the interventions are having an impact in terms of 'closing the gap' and improving the performances and wellbeing of students in receipt of free school meals.

In 2018/19 we will allocate £180,550 to closing the gap in attainment of students in receipt of free school meals.

Planned expenditure

£54,220 Learning coaches

£58,616 Learning support assistants and nurture provision

£19,000 Alternative educational provision

£17,000 Examinations

£16,022 Pastoral support

£ 8,192 Uniform

£ 7,500 Classroom resources