

## Darland High School. Evaluation of the spending of the PDG in 2016-2017.

Item of spend	Rationale	Criteria for success	Cost	Evaluation April 2017
Supply cover for Pastoral Meetings	The school faces increasing demands to meet with other agencies to organise effective provision for vulnerable students.	Improve attendance of FSM pupils to 90%+	5330	The school has been very effective in this, facilitating improved attendance for a considerable number of FSM / Vulnerable students.
Five months employment of FSM Champion	Over the academic year 2015-2016, we employed a member of staff to orchestrate provision for FSM students.	FSM pupils to meet Key Performance Indicators at KS3 and KS4	1,151	This was successful in that 37% of FSM students in Year 11 2016 achieved L2+ and 78% of Y9 achieved CSI (up from 76% in 2015). However, it was decided that from Sept 2017, responsibility for overall FSM supervision should pass to the AHT pastoral.
Behaviour 4 Learning mentor Seclusion Supervisor Parental Support Officer Outdoor Learning LSA	These key members of the pastoral team work to improve outcomes for vulnerable students, including those entitled to FSM. Dealing with social and behavioural incidents internally reduces fixed term exclusions and improves attendance	The school to reach its attendance target of 95%. Parents to record satisfaction for the way that pastoral incidents are dealt with.	16,368 17,266 14,511 6,949	Although Fixed Term exclusions have risen this year, this figure would have been much higher without the use of the Seclusion Unit. Overall attendance is nearly 95% and nearly all parents record satisfaction over the way parents
Forest Schools	This initiative, now in its 4 <sup>th</sup> year, targets around 20 KS3 pupils at risk of disaffection each year. Money for sundry equipment	Attendance targets to be met. Increased confidence of ALN pupils to be measured through PASS data.	100	All courses have taken place and pupil surveys show high degree of pupil satisfaction.
Improving Parental Communication: 1.. Show My Homework 2.. Texting system 3.. Mobile App for website	This system allows parents to monitor the homework set for their children. It also helps our LSAs who support homework set for ALN pupils This is used extensively to let parents know of events and to encourage attendance at parents evenings. Also used to give positive texts home. As above, allows ease of access by parents to letters home and news.	Almost all homework set according to schedule. FSM pupils to meet targets at KS3 and KS4. Parental attendance at Parents Evenings to be over 75%	2,200 2,494 1,385	Attendance by FSM is now 90% as opposed to 85% at same time last year. Attendance at Parents Evenings has never been less than 75% this year. Feedback from Parents Forum is that communication from school is very good. Pupils and parents value the positive phone calls and texts. Kirkland Rowell report for 2016 indicated a much improved parental satisfaction rate for homework.
Kirkland Rowell Parent & Pupil Survey	This detailed survey, taken every two years, enables us to evaluate parents' perception	Improved parental perception of support for vulnerable pupils and	2,091	KR survey has been used extensively for self evaluation this year and has led to re-

	of our effectiveness.	control of bullying.		thinking the way the school works to communicate and monitor the behaviour policy. It has also led to a renewed focus on student resilience and leadership.
School trips	Subsidies to FSM pupils for extra curricular trips (currently all FSM pupils have a 25% reduction)	We want all FSM pupils to have participated in at least one extra curricular trip this year	549	All trips are now offered to FSM pupils with 25% subsidy and two trips were paid in entirety for LAC pupils. We are still not monitoring this effectively enough.
Spare uniform and pumps	We have always kept a repository of spare items of uniform for pupils who for reasons of poor organisation, defiance or poor parental support, attend school without the required uniform.	FSM pupils to not have uniform points.	351	Standard of uniform has improved. Very few pupils not in correct uniform each day.
Military Preparation College Training	This off site course takes pupils at risk of disengagement for one day a week and teaches them teamwork skills, leading to an award of a L2 BTEC in Public Services.	Improved outcomes at KS4 for 'At Risk' pupils	5760	We have 2 students on this course in Year 10 and 2 in Year 11. For 2 of the students, the award will be their main qualification.
Hardship fund for FSM pupils	This fund covers items like stationary, sports kit, items of uniform and Food Tech ingredients for FSM pupils,	No FSM child to feel left out of curricular activities.	260	No reports of any child missing out on curricular activities.
Rewards and Awards Badges	We have a comprehensive system of badges, prizes and form awards which are used throughout the year. The major event is the annual Awards Evening in the summer.	Target; All FSM pupils to have received some kind of recognition over the year.	308	Most pupils in Year 7 & 8 wear at least one badge and these are well regarded by pupils. The school has also relaunched its Rewards policy and more texts and phone calls are being made to parents. However, more needs to be done to ensure this is monitored carefully to demonstrate impact on vulnerable groups.
Hire of Wm Aston Hall	Pupils surveys show us that pupils appreciate these incentives.		450	

<b>Total Spend</b>	<b>£77,307</b>
<b>Total PDG grant</b>	<b>£77,050</b>
<b>Overspend (funded by school)</b>	<b>£257</b>