

Budget Forum

Grants updates for 2023/24 Financial year

General

Schools can access information on 2022/23 grants funded by accessing the following link on the Central South Consortium website. (This information is not yet available for 2023/24 grants but 23/24 information will be published using the same link)

<https://www.cscjes-cronfa.co.uk/repository/resource/99d2c7b9-4126-4ffe-b318-164dcc696898/en>

Accelerated Learning Grant (Recruit, Raise Standards and Recover) £1,441,582.03

Funding allocated to help schools meet the demands of Recruit, Recover, Raise Standards: Accelerating Learning Programme as announced by the Minister for Education on the 9 July 2020.

The primary purpose of the Accelerated Learning Grant funding is to enable investment in schools to allow them to recruit and deploy additional human capacity to support learners in addressing their needs following the initial COVID-19 crisis.

Schools have been emailed individual allocations.

2022/23 academic year (5/12ths) April 2023 – Aug 2023	£600,659.18
2023/24 academic year (7/12ths) September 2023 – March 2024 amount	£840,922.85
TOTAL 2023/24 Financial Year to date	£1,441,582.03

(note – the above table excludes the accelerated learning grant for non-maintained settings)

Post 16 Grant - £7,693,694

The post 16 grant has been delegated within the schools funding formula.

Post 16 transition grant - £59,572

Five months of funding from April 2023 – August 2023 to assist pupils in the transition to their next phase of education. This has now been allocated and given to schools.

Post 16 Learner Progression funding - £200,394

This has now allocated and given to schools.

Post 16 Additional funding for teachers pay award - £219,814

WG have made this funding available towards the cost of the impact on 2023/24 budgets of the teacher's pay award of September 2022, this has been allocated and given to schools.

PDG Grant - £4,137,700 for schools and £12,650 non-maintained settings

PDG is now allocated directly from Welsh Government under the LA Education Grant and is no longer allocated through the Central South Consortium. The allocations are based on eFSM from plasc 2022 at £1,150 per pupil. Schools have been emailed individual allocations.

PDG CLA (LAC) - £240,350

Central South Consortium to determine funding on a cluster basis, WG have listed the amount above on their web page as the LA's allocation for the year. However the CSC will update the LA on allocations per cluster following the cluster bidding process.

RCSIG Grant - £5,430,200

The RCSIG Grant will continue to be administered by the Central South Consortium, schools have been emailed individual allocations, this is still an indicative as CSC are awaiting PLASC data to be published to verify the allocations. Once verification is received, the allocations will be confirmed and the grant given out to schools.

Professional Learning Grant - £633,786

The Professional Learning grant will continue to be administered through the Central South Consortium, this has now been allocated and given to schools.

Teachers pay award Grant - £954,385

WG have made this funding available towards the cost of the impact on 2023/24 budgets of the teacher's pay award of September 2022. Schools have already included the full cost of the pay award within school budgets plans, therefore this income will help to alleviate budget pressures. This has now been allocated and given to schools.

ALN Implementation Grant - £482,239

Continuation of funding towards implementing the new ALN act. The grant for schools has been increased by £303,032 or 169% on last year's allocation of £179,207. This has now been allocated and given to schools.

Central South Consortium Collaboration Funding - £442,810

Central South Consortium have allocated collaboration funding to schools. The formula is based on a £6,000 lump sum and of £90 per FTE teacher (based on PLASC 22). Schools have been emailed individual allocations and will receive the funding on 70014 as it's received to the LA on the quarterly bulk income payments from CSC.

Big Fresh Catering Company Profit Share - £204,000

Each school receiving their catering from BFCC has received £4,000 each from 22/23's profit sharing scheme. This has already been given to schools.

Afghan Resettlements - £xx

Schools will receive a set amount of £2,250 for pupils aged 3-4 years old and £4,500 for pupils aged 5+, this funding is only for 1 year only per child and will be received by schools once the Home Office passes the funding to the LA. Schools will be advised of their funding for them to put support in place for the pupils, SFS Officers will ensure that income not received will be reserved correctly at year end. The Resettlement scheme is likely to be in place for around 3-4 years, so further funding will be available for new pupils in the coming years.

Centrally allocated revenue grant funding for learners

In addition to the grants delegated to schools, the Local Authority has received notification of the following grants which will be centrally managed. Some of these grants below may be delegated to schools for allocation within the individual grant terms and conditions where applicable.

Grant name	Awarded
Universal free school meals	£4,494,467
eFSM Holiday provision	£325,648
Schools Essentials (previously PDG access/school uniform)	£469,100
Minority ethnic and Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Learners	£365,395
Whole School Approach to Emotional & Mental Wellbeing (Counselling)	£106,238
Whole School Approach to Emotional & Mental Wellbeing – EOTAS	£8,682
Elective home education	£67,696
Accelerated Learning for non-maintained settings (RRRs)	£167,095
PDG for non-maintained settings	£12,650
Foundation phase non-maintained nursery funding	£234,756
Online IDP project	£42,000
ALN Implementation Learner Provision	£392,703
ALN Implementation (LA Allocation)	£70,000
Community Focused School Manager & family Engagement Officers	£307,573
Education Welfare Officers	£105,662
Welsh medium late immersion	TBC
Period dignity	£128,315