

Carmel College Celebrate Reaching National Finals

Carmel College in Darlington has received Government recognition at a National Level for its work in raising the attainment of Pupil Premium students.

Pupil Premium is a Government initiative to provide additional funding to schools to be spent on raising the achievement of disadvantaged students who traditionally do not do as well in schools as their better off peers.

Carmel Principal, Maura Regan travelled to London to attend the National Pupil Premium Awards along with finalists from schools from across the country all of whom have been recognised for their sustained contributions to closing the gap and raising the attainment of Pupil Premium students.

Carmel College was one of eight regional finalists and as such received £50,000 to further their work which was recognised by David Laws, Minister of State for Schools who stated that Carmel “..excels in educating disadvantaged pupils and improving their outcomes,” and that “staff and governors are equipping disadvantaged pupils with the skills for future success.”

Miss Regan was delighted that the work of the College had gained national recognition but feels what is most important is the difference that staff are making to the life chances of all pupils.

Notes to Editors

Pictured below are: L-R Nick Clegg (Deputy Prime Minister), Maura Regan (Principal and CEO Carmel College and Carmel Education Trust) and David Laws (Minister of State for Schools).

