



Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol Gymuned Rhosybol

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Summary

Ysgol Gymuned Rhosybol is a happy and hardworking school which cares for pupils' wellbeing well and ensures that they are safe. Teachers provide a varied curriculum through engaging activities that stretch all pupils to develop and gain the confidence to learn. The learning areas are interesting places and staff make effective use of the outdoor areas for pupils to practise and apply their skills. Pupils enjoy outdoor activities, for example when building a shelter in the forest school, and developing confidence and perseverance while working together and solving problems. The family element can be seen clearly in the close relationship that develops between pupils across the age range. Older pupils are an exceptional example for the youngest pupils and enjoy their company during whole-school events and break and lunchtimes.

Pupils speak Welsh naturally in their learning and play. They develop sound reading skills and this enriches their writing which demonstrates good accuracy and interesting content. Most pupils' mathematics and numeracy skills develop robustly. Teachers provide an appropriate range of digital experiences for pupils, although these experiences do not ensure that they develop their full range of skills.

Emphasis is placed on supporting pupils to learn about their local area and about the importance of the close-knit community in the village of Rhosybol. Teachers and support staff share useful information about pupils' progress with parents and provide specific support, when necessary.

The headteacher leads the school with passion and she, staff and governors evaluate provision continuously, aiming for the best in all aspects of the school's life and work.

Recommendations and next steps

We have made one recommendations to help the school continue to improve:

R1 Ensure that pupils develop the full range of digital skills

The school will draw up an action plan to address the recommendations from the inspection.

If you would like to read more about Estyn's evaluation of the school, please follow this link to the [full report](#).



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