



Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol O.M. Edwards

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by Estyn, His Majesty's Inspectorate for Education and Training in Wales

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Summary

The headteacher's strong leadership, together with the school's conscientious staff, foster well-being, care and support for pupils effectively. They know their pupils well and have a sound understanding of the school's strengths and areas for improvement. A homely and inclusive ethos nurtures pupils to have positive attitudes to learning and play. Staff support pupils' well-being and learning effectively.

Teachers work diligently to ensure that most activities engage pupils' interest and offer them useful feedback and support. However, teachers do not provide purposeful opportunities for pupils to make independent choices about how to learn and present their work effectively enough.

Across the school, most pupils develop a range of skills well. They listen attentively to adults' instructions and each other's contributions. Most pupils' Welsh language skills develop effectively. However, their English skills do not develop to the same standard. As they move through the school, most pupils' number, creative and digital skills develop soundly.

The headteacher and staff have a positive relationship and effective communication arrangements with parents. As a result, parents have the confidence to raise any issues that may affect their children's well-being and learning.

Staff enrich pupils' learning extremely successfully with valuable community links. For example, pupils play a core role in taking part in various services, compete in the local eisteddfod and collect litter to make the local area more attractive. As a result, opportunities contribute to developing pupils to be conscientious citizens who take pride in the community and their environment.

Recommendations and next steps

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

- R1 Develop pupils' English skills
- R2 Provide purposeful opportunities for pupils to make independent choices about how to learn and present their work

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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