Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol Bro Sion Cwilt

Date of inspection: January 2025

This report is also available in Welsh.

Summary

Pupils, staff and parents take pride in the school's friendly, inclusive and familial environment. As a result, pupils build positive working relationships with members of staff, which contribute successfully to the beneficial and well-organised learning environment.

Staff provide a colourful and engaging learning environment in which all groups of pupils can learn productively. Across the school, staff develop pupils' skills purposefully while providing them with exciting and interesting experiences through activities and challenges in the classrooms and the outdoor areas. However, staff tend to lead learning too much, which often limits pupils' ability to develop their independent learning skills.

Most pupils make good progress in their listening and reading skills during their time at the school. At the top of the school, when they are given an opportunity to do so, many develop their writing skills appropriately in both languages. However, opportunities for pupils to write are length are limited, on the whole.

Provision for pupils with additional learning needs is effective. Staff identify pupils who need support at an early stage and provide timely support programmes. Staff work closely with parents to monitor progress and identify the next steps in learning.

The headteacher shares her vision clearly, namely to 'Make every dream come true', and the school community works diligently to make it a reality. The school is led effectively by a skilful team that identifies the strengths and areas for improvement. The governing body is supportive of all the school's work and has a sound understanding of the next improvement steps.

Recommendations and next steps

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

R1 Extend opportunities for pupils to develop their extended writing skills across the areas of learning

R2 Expand opportunities for pupils to develop their independent learning skills

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

Full Report

If you would like to read more about Estyn's evaluation of the school, please follow this link to the full report

© Crown Copyright 2025: This report may be re used free of charge in any format or medium provided that it is re used accurately and not used in a misleading context. The material must be acknowledged as Crown copyright and the title of the report specified.

Publication date: 31/03/2025