

Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol Gymunedol Trimsaran

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Summary

Conscientious leaders establish a positive ethos and culture for the school, which focuses on improving pupils' outcomes purposefully. This sensible vision, which supports the school's improvement practices, contributes to good behaviour and a willingness to learn among pupils. The work of leaders to strengthen the school's improvement systems, through regular and detailed evaluations, leads to effective processes to develop the school further.

Leaders review staff performance diligently and professional learning opportunities have a successful effect on pupils' well-being and learning. Governors challenge and support leaders wisely and focus on improving teaching and learning through a meaningful monitoring cycle. Leaders ensure an inclusive and interesting learning environment, which includes rich resources in all aspects of provision, to support pupils to immerse themselves in their learning.

On the whole, teaching sessions move at a pace that is suitable for learning. However, the quality of teachers' teaching and the challenge they provide for pupils is inconsistent across the school. On the whole, the feedback that teachers provide for pupils to improve their learning is appropriate.

Teachers plan an engaging curriculum, which focuses on developing all the pupils' skills as they move through the school. As a result, pupils' numeracy and digital skills develop strongly. Pupils' reading skills develop purposefully and they are confident English speakers. However, their spoken Welsh skills and extended writing skills in both languages do not develop successfully enough.

Staff and pupils foster close and loyal working relationships. They encourage pupils to work together and share ideas and feelings sensibly, which develops their loyalty and respect for others successfully. Pupils develop personal, social and creative skills valuably, which supports their cultural awareness and appreciation robustly.

Recommendations and next steps

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

R1 Provide a challenge for all pupils by improving teaching and giving regular and effective feedback

R2 Continue to improve pupils' attitudes to speaking Welsh

R3 Improve pupils' extended writing skills

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

Full Report

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