

Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol Gymraeg Rhyd-Y-Grug Date of inspection: June 2025

This report is also available in Welsh.

Summary

Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Rhyd y Grug is an inclusive community that places emphasis on pupils' well-being in a welcoming and friendly environment. Pupils are happy coming to school and show enthusiasm towards their learning. The staff's caring nature creates a safe haven for pupils, and they know that they can turn to anyone if they feel anxious. Pupils have great respect for each other, staff and visitors.

The headteacher has a clear vision and has established a productive ethos and a team of dedicated staff. She is an effective leader who is respected highly by all stakeholders. The school has thorough school improvement systems that develop the school further and the numerous professional learning opportunities have a positive effect on pupils' wellbeing and learning. Governors are very supportive of the school and understand their roles and responsibilities well.

Teachers prepare and deliver a range of tasks that develop pupils' Welsh and English oral and writing skills, and numeracy and digital skills, successfully. As a result, they make good progress and use and apply their skills effectively across all areas of learning. However, pupils' Welsh reading skills do not develop as well.

Staff create a stimulating and attractive environment inside and outside the classroom to ignite pupils' interest in their work. They plan purposeful opportunities for pupils to contribute towards what they would like to learn and, more recently, effective opportunities for pupils to improve their own work. However, teachers' expectations of what pupils can achieve in their work are inconsistent across the school. Staff ensure that pupils develop very useful personal, social and creative skills. As a result, pupils have sound awareness of the history and culture of their local area, the wider community and Wales.

Recommendations and next steps

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

- R1 Improve pupils' Welsh reading skills
- R2 Ensure high expectations consistently from staff to support all pupils to achieve to the best of their ability

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 <u>full</u> <u>report</u>

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