

# Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol Porth y Felin

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# Summary

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Ysgol Porth y Felin is a caring school that places a high priority on the wellbeing and development of all pupils. Leaders have established a clear and coherent vision that promotes the principle that every child "believes, respects and succeeds". This vision is communicated effectively to pupils, staff, parents and the community, contributing to positive behaviour across the school.

The provision for supporting pupils with additional learning needs is effective. Staff, parents and external agencies work together effectively to provide additional and timely support for these pupils. As a result, most pupils, including those that attend the 'Yr Elen' class, make sound progress from their starting points.

The curriculum is broad and rich, and develops pupils' awareness of their heritage and identity successfully. They are provided with beneficial opportunities to discuss moral and spiritual issues, as well as experiences that foster respect for diversity. Teachers plan interesting tasks that develop pupils' literacy, numeracy, digital and creative skills successfully. In the most effective practices, high expectations and activities that challenge pupils appropriately support them to achieve the best of their ability. However, these strongest practices are not rooted consistently enough across the school.

Most pupils' English literacy skills are strong, and they apply their mathematical and digital skills confidently in a variety of contexts. However, pupils' Welsh oral skills do not develop effectively enough across the school.

Leaders use suitable self-evaluation processes to identify strengths and improvement priorities. However, the actions to address the areas for improvement are not always clear enough. Governors are supportive and provide appropriate challenge.

## Recommendations and next steps

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### **We have made three recommendation to help the school continue to improve:**

- R1 Strengthen improvement processes in addressing the school's priorities
- R2 Ensure that the most effective teaching practices are consistent across the school and ensure that activities challenge pupils appropriately
- R3 Ensure regular opportunities for pupils to improve their Welsh oracy 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](#).

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