Estyn | Dros ddysgwyr, dros Gymru
For learners, for Wales

# Pre-inspection questionnaire - Maintained Special & Independent Special: Pupil (primary)

Please tell us what you think about your school.

Read each sentence and tick the box that fits with what you think. There are no right or wrong answers. For some questions, you will be able to explain why you have chosen that answer, if you want to.

Think about your own experiences and not the experience of your friends. Please be honest.

We care about your views. We will read your answers and use them to find out more about the school. We may also use these questionnaires to help us understand what pupils think of schools across Wales.

The questionnaire is anonymous. We don't ask for your name. This means that your answers are secret.

Estyn inspectors will:

- Read your answers
- Only tell other people what you have said if they are worried about your safety or another pupil's safety. If you are worried about anything at school, it is important that you speak to an adult at school or at home.

Your answers will be stored securely on Esytn's databases in line with our policies.

**You can learn more about how we keep and use your personal information by looking our privacy notice: Click here for our privacy notice**

### 1. Year Group

- [ ] Year 3
- [ ] Year 4
- [ ] Year 5
- [ ] Year 6

### 2. I enjoy school

- [ ] Always
- [ ] Often
- [ ] Occasionally
- [ ] Never

### 3. I feel safe when I am at school

- [ ] Always
- [ ] Often
- [ ] Occasionally
- [ ] Never

### 4. Other children behave well in my class

- [ ] Always
- [ ] Often
- [ ] Occasionally
- [ ] Never

### 5. Other children behave well during breaks and lunchtimes

- [ ] Always
- [ ] Often

- [ ] Occasionally
- [ ] Never

### 6. Do you feel bullied in school?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

Please use this space if you would like to tell us any more about how staff dealt with this.

### 7. If you were sad or unhappy at school, who would you speak to? (you can tick more than one box)

- [ ] A teacher
- [ ] A support assistant
- [ ] A friend
- [ ] A member of the family
- [ ] Someone else
- [ ] No-one

Please use the space below if you'd like to tell us more about how the school supports you if you're not happy at school.

### 8. I find the work I’m given in most lessons...

- [ ] About the right level of difficulty

- [ ] Too easy
- [ ] Too hard

### 9. I find my lessons interesting

- [ ] Always
- [ ] Often
- [ ] Occasionally
- [ ] Never

### 10. My school helps me to treat everyone fairly and with respect

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree

Tell us more if you'd like to:

### 11. Adults in the school encourage me to take part in school activities outside of lessons, like clubs, sports, music or art

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

### 12. Adults in the school listen to our suggestions and sometimes change things when we ask

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree

### 13. Please use the space below to tell us anything else about your school

## Reading: Developing readers

**14. I enjoy reading, looking at books, stories, pictures, or other reading activities in school.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**15. Adults help me with reading in a way that works for me.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**16. I can choose my own reading books and materials.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**17. I enjoy it when adults read to me or my class.**

- [ ] Agree

- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**18. I feel happy or proud when I try my best with reading.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**19. I get the help I need to understand and improve my reading.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**20. I use reading in different lessons.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**21. I know what I need to do to get better at reading.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**22. I read, look at books, or listen to stories at home.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**23. I know how reading can help me in everyday life.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

## Reading: Confident readers

**24. I enjoy reading in school and outside school.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**25. I can choose what I want to read at home and at school.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**26. The school shows that reading is important and enjoyable.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**27. I read to find out about things that interest me and help me learn.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**28. I get the help I need when reading is difficult.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**29. Reading helps me learn across different subjects.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**30. I know what I need to do to improve my reading.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**31. I read for enjoyment both in school and outside lessons.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

**32. I understand how the reading activities and materials used in school help me improve.**

- [ ] Agree
- [ ] Disagree
- [ ] Not sure

Thank you for completing this questionnaire. We are also interested in who you are. We don't ask your name, but we would like to know your age, about your ethnicity and national identity, and your religion.

You do not have to answer these questions.

The reason we are asking these questions is to help us understand how different groups of pupils across Wales feel about their school. For example, the difference between boys' and girls' answers.

### 33. Would you like to continue?

- [ ] Yes, I'm happy to answer more questions
- [ ] No, I'd like to complete the survey now

### 34. How old are you?

- [ ] 7
- [ ] 8
- [ ] 9
- [ ] 10
- [ ] 11
- [ ] I do not want to answer

We are interested in your identity and how you see yourself. First, we would like to know about your gender.

### 35. Are you? You can tick more than one.

- [ ] A boy
- [ ] A girl
- [ ] I do not want to answer
- [ ] I don't know
- [ ] I describe myself as:

We are also interested in your ethnicity and national identity.

For example, some people consider themselves to be Black, some people consider themselves to be Asian and Welsh, and some people might see themselves as Chinese and British.

### 36. How would you describe yourself? You can tick more than one.

**We are using the words "Gypsy, Roma, or Traveller" because they are used in national forms, like the Census. These words include different groups of people who may have different families and ways of life. If these words don't work for you, you can choose the "I describe myself as..." option and write words that best describe who you are.**

- [ ] Arab
- [ ] Asian
- [ ] Bangladeshi
- [ ] Black
- [ ] Black African
- [ ] Black Caribbean
- [ ] British
- [ ] Chinese
- [ ] Dual nationality
- [ ] English
- [ ] Gypsy, Roma, or Traveller
- [ ] Indian
- [ ] Irish
- [ ] Mixed heritage
- [ ] Northern Irish
- [ ] Pakistani
- [ ] Polish
- [ ] Scottish
- [ ] Ukrainian
- [ ] Welsh
- [ ] White
- [ ] I do not want to answer
- [ ] I don't know
- [ ] I describe myself as:

**37. We would like to know about your religion. Are you..? You can tick more than one.**

- [ ] Buddhist
- [ ] Christian
- [ ] Hindu
- [ ] Muslim
- [ ] Jewish
- [ ] Sikh
- [ ] I do not have a religion
- [ ] I do not want to answer
- [ ] I describe myself as:

We are interested in disability and additional learning needs.

For example, some people have extra help in class.

**38. Do you have a disability or additional learning need (ALN)? You can tick more than one.**

- [ ] I have a disability
- [ ] I have an additional learning need
- [ ] I do not have a disability or an additional learning need
- [ ] I do not want to answer

**39. Which languages do your family speak at home? You can tick more than one.**

- [ ] Arabic
- [ ] Bengali
- [ ] British Sign Language
- [ ] English
- [ ] Polish
- [ ] Romanian
- [ ] Ukrainian
- [ ] Urdu
- [ ] Welsh
- [ ] I do not want to answer
- [ ] We speak:

**40. How confident do you usually feel when speaking Welsh?**

- [ ] Very confident
- [ ] Fairly confident
- [ ] Not very confident
- [ ] Not at all confident
- [ ] I never speak Welsh
- [ ] I do not want to answer