



Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol Talgarreg

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by Estyn, His Majesty's Inspectorate for Education and Training in Wales

Overview

Ysgol Talgarreg is an extremely welcoming and friendly school that aims to ensure the best learning experiences and well-being for all pupils. Pupils' pride in their school is a strong feature. They talk enthusiastically about their experiences and value the opportunities they are given. Almost without exception, pupils are polite and treat each other and adults with respect. The school promotes a culture of safeguarding successfully and pupils feel happy and safe at the school.

Most pupils make good progress in their language and digital skills from their starting points and apply these skills successfully across the curriculum. On the whole, pupils make appropriate progress in developing their number skills. However, there are not enough opportunities for them to apply their numeracy skills in full in a variety of learning contexts.

Teachers provide a stimulating and balanced curriculum. They plan learning experiences that reflect local history and traditions well. Pupils contribute effectively to the content of the curriculum and, as a result, they are dedicated and enthusiastic about their learning. Staff establish a productive working relationship with pupils and engage their interest in learning experiences successfully. Teachers use a range of teaching methods purposefully. They ask pupils probing questions and communicate with them by using polished Welsh. Feedback from teachers supports pupils to identify what they have done well. However, they do not provide regular enough opportunities for pupils to respond to feedback and make improvements to their work.

The headteacher is a passionate leader who works diligently for the school. She has high expectations of herself and others and is committed to ensuring the best for pupils. She is supported by a small team of staff who are hard-working and work together effectively to meet pupils' needs. The governors are strong advocates for the school. They have a comprehensive understanding of their responsibilities and know the school's strengths and areas for improvement well. They provide strong support for staff and ensure that the school makes effective use of its resources.

Recommendations

R1 Ensure that teachers provide regular opportunities for pupils to respond to feedback to improve their work

R2 Improve opportunities for pupils to apply their numeracy skills in a variety of learning contexts

What happens next

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



School context

Name of provider	Ysgol Talgarreg
Local authority	Ceredigion County Council
Language of the provider	Welsh
Type of school	Primary
Religious character	*
Number of pupils on roll	36
Pupils of statutory school age	32
Number in nursery classes (if applicable)	
Percentage of statutory school age pupils eligible for free school meals over a three-year average <i>(The national percentage of pupils eligible for free school meals over a three-year average in the primary sector is 23.7%)</i>	5.8%
Percentage of statutory school age pupils identified as having additional learning needs (a) <i>(The national percentage of pupils identified as having an additional learning need in the primary sector is 13.2%)</i>	18.8%
Percentage of statutory school age pupils who speak Welsh at home	81.3%
Percentage of statutory school age pupils with English as an additional language	0.0%
Date of headteacher appointment	01/09/2020
Date of previous Estyn inspection (if applicable)	
Start date of inspection	04/03/2024

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