



Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol Gynradd Cerrigydrudion

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Overview

Ysgol Gynradd Cerrigydrudion is an inclusive and supportive community that promotes a caring ethos extremely successfully. There are close and warm working relationships between pupils and staff, which foster an enthusiastic learning environment and a beneficial sense that pupils are valued members of the school family.

Most pupils make good progress from their starting points. They develop their literacy, numeracy and digital skills purposefully by the end of their time at the school. However, teachers do not always ensure regular opportunities for pupils to develop their independent learning skills.

Teachers plan interesting learning activities that engage and hold pupils' interest successfully. They provide stimulating learning experiences for pupils and ensure that activities are suitably paced. However, teachers' feedback does not always identify the next steps in pupils' learning effectively enough. Staff provide purposeful opportunities for pupils to learn about their cynefin or local area and about the history and traditions of Wales. As a result, pupils are aware of their locality and show pride and respect towards their community and the Welsh language.

Provision for supporting the learning skills of pupils with additional learning needs (ALN) is good. As a result, they make good progress over time against their targets and previous achievements.

The school's self-evaluation and quality assurance arrangements are sound. Members of the governing body support the acting headteacher and staff successfully. They have a sound awareness of the school's strengths and priorities for improvement. They provide an appropriate balance of support and challenge that supports leaders to develop the school purposefully.

The school needs to address the safeguarding concerns relating to the school's site.

Recommendations

- R1 Respond to the health and safety concerns relating to the school's site
- R2 Ensure that the quality of teachers' feedback identifies the next steps in pupils' learning effectively
- R3 Develop regular opportunities to develop pupils' independent learning skills

What happens next

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



School context

Name of provider	Ysgol Gynradd Cerrigydrudion
Local authority	Conwy County Borough Council
Language of the provider	Welsh
Type of school	Primary
Number of pupils on roll	86
Pupils of statutory school age	75
Number in nursery classes (if applicable)	11
Percentage of statutory school age pupils eligible for free school meals over a three- year average (The national percentage of pupils eligible for	8.7%
free school meals over a three-year average in the primary sector is 23.7%)	
Percentage of statutory school age pupils identified as having additional learning needs (a) (The national percentage of pupils identified as having an additional learning need in the primary sector is 13.2%)	8.3%
Percentage of statutory school age pupils who speak Welsh at home	86.7%
Percentage of statutory school age pupils with English as an additional language	1.16%
Date of headteacher appointment	19/02/2024
Date of previous Estyn inspection (if applicable)	04/04/2016
Start date of inspection	11/03/2024

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