

Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol Gynradd Parcyrhun

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Summary

The school is an inclusive and safe community that takes extremely good care of its pupils. Staff always respect pupils and treat them fairly. Leaders lead the school effectively and purposefully, which ensures that all pupils have equal opportunities in all of the school's activities over time. Leaders have high expectations for staff, pupils and themselves. They identify the school's strengths and the areas it needs to improve well, and plan effectively to ensure improvement over time.

The building is colourful, stimulating and engaging for pupils, which encourages them to enjoy learning. Teachers and other adults, on the whole, teach pupils effectively. As a result, most make sound progress in their literacy, mathematical, digital competence and wider skills. Although most have sound mathematical skills, they are not always given enough opportunity to practise them regularly in real-life contexts.

The curriculum meets today's requirements well and focuses appropriately on teaching pupils about their local area, Wales and the world. Provision for the youngest pupils is very effective and prepares them well to be able to learn without too much support from adults. On the whole, teachers know what they want pupils to learn and why. However, they do not always focus enough on what skills they want them to learn, and pay too much attention to the content. This means that there is not always enough depth to learning and tasks do not build enough on previous work.

Staff encourage pupils to be eager to learn. As a result, most make a good effort in their tasks and work together successfully to solve any problems they have with the work. Over time, all pupils are given opportunities to become members of a range of pupil's voice committees and make decisions about how to improve the school.

Recommendations and next steps

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

- R1 Refine planning procedures to ensure that there is depth in learning and that objectives are clear and build methodically on previous ones
- R2 Provide regular opportunities for pupils to apply their numeracy skills in real-life situations across the curriculum

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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