



Report summary for parents and carers on Llanelwedd C.I.W. School

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

Overview

Llanelwedd Primary School is a caring place for pupils, staff and visitors. A sense of trust pervades the school. All pupils, their families and visitors receive a warm welcome. Pupils enjoy coming to school. They and their parents are very proud to be a part of such a supportive learning environment. Teachers and support staff are always on hand to help pupils and take very good care of their well-being, which is a notable strength of the school.

Pupils know that adults in the school expect them to behave well and to respect everyone in the school and the community. The headteacher and the team of teachers and support staff are good role models for the pupils, they want the best for all the pupils in Llanelwedd. They offer pupils a wide range of interesting, authentic learning experiences, which help to make learning exciting. Many pupils are making good progress and achieving well. However, teachers often do not challenge pupils enough and this results in a few pupils not achieving what they are capable of and sometimes losing interest in their learning. Pupils collaborate very well and by the time they reach the older year groups, they are articulate and express themselves clearly. Their engagement in their learning and positive behaviour are notable strengths of the school.

The headteacher provides supportive leadership and generally knows the school well. He leads the school using a very collegiate approach. However, the leadership skills of other members of staff are underdeveloped. The headteacher has correctly identified key areas of the school's work that need improvement, such as pupils' Welsh oracy skills, which are currently limited to basic words and phrases. The headteacher values the opinions of staff, pupils, parents and governors and uses these well to evaluate and improve the school.



Recommendations

- R1 Address the health and safety issue raised during the inspection
- R2 Increase leadership capacity by devolving responsibilities across all levels of staff
- R3 Ensure that teachers provide sufficient challenge for pupils of all abilities
- R4 Improve pupils' Welsh oracy skills

What happens next

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



School context

Name of provider	Llanelwedd C.I.W. School
Local authority	Powys County Council
Language of the provider	English
Type of school	Primary
Religious character	Church in Wales
Number of pupils on roll	104
Pupils of statutory school age	94
Number in nursery classes	10
Percentage of pupils eligible for free school meals over a three-year average (The national percentage of pupils eligible for free school meals over a three-year average in Primary] is 23.0%)	11.2%
Percentage of pupils identified as having additional learning needs (a) (The national percentage of pupils identified as having an additional learning need in Primary is 16.1%)	12.8%
Percentage of pupils who speak Welsh at home	0.0%
Date of headteacher appointment	01/09/2010
Date of previous Estyn inspection (if applicable)	11/11/2013
Start date of inspection	21/11/2022

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