



Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol Gymunedol Cei Newydd

Date of inspection: June 2023

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

Overview

Ysgol Gymunedol Cei Newydd provides a happy and welcoming environment where pupils' well-being and rights are prioritised successfully. Pupils make an important contribution to the school's life and work and their voice and views are very important to the staff. Pupils' behaviour is consistently good and they are respectful and polite towards others, including visitors to the school. They feel safe and content in their work and play and show an inherent pride in their school and their community.

Many pupils make good progress during their time at the school. On the whole, they make appropriate, sound progress in developing their oracy and literacy skills and apply them confidently across a wide range of contexts. Many pupils' numeracy and digital skills are developing successfully. Staff make good use of the local area and unique context to provide a curriculum that offers a range of interesting activities to stimulate and engage pupils' interest.

Through probing questioning, teachers and assistants recall previous learning effectively. Overall, there are not enough opportunities for pupils to make independent choices about how to complete their tasks. Staff provide pupils with appropriate feedback but they do not provide regular enough opportunities for them to respond to feedback and improve their work.

Although the headteacher is new to the post, she has already succeeded in sharing her vision successfully with parents, pupils, staff and the wider community. She has a sound understanding of the school's strengths and aspects that need to be developed further. She is supported robustly by hardworking and dedicated staff, who share her aspirations for demanding the best possible standards for the well being and learning of all pupils. The governing body is very supportive and contributes effectively to the success of the school.

Recommendations

R1 Ensure regular opportunities for pupils to respond to feedback and improve their work

R2 Expand opportunities for pupils to develop their 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 Gymunedol Cei Newydd
Local authority	Ceredigion County Council
Language of the provider	English
Type of school	Primary
Number of pupils on roll	90
Pupils of statutory school age	77
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 23.0%)</i>	16.7%
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 16.1%)</i>	17.6%
Percentage of statutory school age pupils who speak Welsh at home	3.3%
Percentage of statutory school age pupils with English as an additional language	4.4%
Date of headteacher appointment	17/04/2023
Date of previous Estyn inspection (if applicable)	01/05/2015
Start date of inspection	05/06/2023

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