



## Report summary for parents and carers on Ysgol Gymuned Bodffordd

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

# Overview

Ysgol Gymuned Bodffordd is a friendly and inclusive school that promotes a caring ethos purposefully. There are purposeful working relationships between pupils and staff, which support a positive environment and foster a strong sense of learning and well-being among pupils.

Pupils enjoy learning both indoors and around the school grounds and are enthusiastic during lessons and tasks. They take pride in their Welshness. During their time at the school, pupils develop purposeful social, listening, speaking, reading and digital competence skills.

Planning of the curriculum and the school environment promotes beneficial learning opportunities. Pupils' outcomes are good where planning, teaching and feedback on their work are challenging and consistent. However, planning to develop pupils' writing and numeracy skills, and feedback to target the next steps in pupils' learning, are not consistent across the school.

Staff support and care for pupils well. This contributes towards the pupils' desire to learn and their resilience to persevere with tasks. Staff encourage pupils effectively to take responsibility for their own well-being and behaviour and to embrace their happiness. As a result, the emotional support for pupils is a strong feature of the school.

The headteacher leads the school purposefully and ensures that the care and well being of pupils are a priority. This forms the basis of his vision. He works well with staff and governors to ensure that the school is an inclusive learning community, which promotes positive opportunities for pupils. However, due to his teaching responsibilities, he does not have enough time to discharge his leadership and management duties in a sustainable manner.

Overall, leaders evaluate the school's work effectively by using regular self evaluation processes, which lead to purposeful development plans. The school's monitoring activities lead to relevant training opportunities for staff to develop their skills through agreed and purposeful professional learning. Inspectors brought an issue relating to the safety of the school grounds to the attention of the school's leaders during the inspection.

# Recommendations

- R1 Address the health and safety issues on the site, which was identified during the inspection
- R2 Ensure that the headteacher has enough time to discharge his leadership and management duties in a sustainable manner
- R3 Plan effective progression in pupils' writing and numeracy skills as they move through the school
- R4 Ensure that the quality of teachers' feedback targets the next steps in pupils' learning effectively

## What happens next

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



## School context

Name of provider	Ysgol Gymuned Bodffordd
Local authority	Isle of Anglesey County Council
Language of the provider	Welsh
Type of school	Primary
Number of pupils on roll	88
Pupils of statutory school age	65
Number in nursery classes (if applicable)	7
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>	12.2%
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>	23.1%
Percentage of statutory school age pupils who speak Welsh at home	76.9%
Percentage of statutory school age pupils with English as an additional language	0.0%
Date of headteacher appointment	01/09/2000
Date of previous Estyn inspection (if applicable)	11/05/2015
Start date of inspection	16/10/2023

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