



# **Report summary for parents and carers on Coychurch (Llangrallo) Primary School**

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

# Overview

The school is a vibrant and inclusive community where pupils, staff and families feel welcome and supported. A strong commitment to securing everyone's well-being permeates the work of the school. This is reflected in the teamwork of staff and in the exemplary conduct of nearly all pupils, who show consistently positive attitudes towards learning and to school life in general. This ethos underpins the sound progress that pupils make and supports them to develop their confidence and skills across all areas of learning effectively.

Teachers plan a rich and engaging curriculum that sustains the interest of pupils well. They make beneficial use of strong links with the local community to enrich pupils' experience, for example, through inviting visitors to school who help bring to life topics that pupils learn about in class. Teachers and learning support officers work closely together and share a clear focus on supporting pupils' learning. However, they do not always ensure that tasks enable pupils to make as much progress as they could, such as when working independently in the outdoor area. A notable strength of the school's provision is the way staff build very successfully on opportunities to promote pupils' understanding of diversity. As a result, all pupils develop a keen sense of fairness and tolerance.

The headteacher provides clear and purposeful direction to the work of the school. She is ably supported by senior leaders and staff who respond positively to the expectations she sets. Because of this, staff work together to secure improvements in pupils' learning effectively. However, leaders have not evaluated aspects of the quality of teaching, such as the impact of teachers' feedback to pupils, closely enough. Professional development aligns to the school's priorities and has resulted in worthwhile improvements to the school's provision. Governors show strong support for the school and carry out their role effectively.



# Recommendations

- R1 Provide clear feedback to pupils that identifies precisely what they need to do to improve their work and enable them to act on this guidance
- R2 Provide appropriate challenge, particularly in independent activities, to ensure that all pupils make the progress they are capable of
- R3 Focus self-evaluation more keenly on the quality of teaching and its impact on pupils' progress

## What happens next

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



## School context

Name of provider	Coychurch (Llangrallo) Primary School
Local authority	Bridgend County Borough Council
Language of the provider	English
Type of school	Primary
Religious character	None
Number of pupils on roll	149
Pupils of statutory school age	114
Number in nursery classes	18
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 21.3%)	17.7%
Percentage of pupils with English as an additional language	0.0%
Date of headteacher appointment	01/09/2008
Date of previous Estyn inspection (if applicable)	03/03/2014
Start date of inspection	21/11/2022

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