

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO CABINET

1 SEPTEMBER 2015

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR – EDUCATION AND TRANSFORMATION

ESTYN INSPECTION OUTCOMES FOR ST ROBERTS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report informs Cabinet Members of the outcomes of the recent Estyn inspection of St Roberts Catholic Primary School.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Objectives / Other Corporate Priorities

- 2.1 The information in this report relates to strategic priority 2 in the Corporate Plan 'Working Together to Raise Ambitions and Drive Up Educational Achievement.

3. Background

- 3.1 This school was inspected by Estyn in April 2015 and the report was published in June 2015. The full text of the report is available on the Estyn website: www.estyn.gov.uk

4. Current situation / proposal

- 4.1 Inspectors reached the following judgements:

Current Performance	Good
Prospects for Improvement	Good
How good are outcomes?	Good
Standards	Good
Wellbeing	Good
How good is provision?	Good
Learning experiences	Good
Teaching	Good
Care, support and guidance	Good
Learning environment	Good
How good are leadership and management?	Good
Leadership	Good
Improving quality	Good
Partnership working	Good
Resource management	Good

St Roberts Catholic Primary School is a good school because:

- Most pupils achieve good standards by the end of the Foundation Phase and key stage 2
- More able pupils in upper key stage 2 make good and sometimes very good progress

- Nearly all pupils feel safe in school and have a positive attitude to health and fitness
- Nearly all pupils participate enthusiastically in their work and are keen to learn
- The school provides many worthwhile and interesting learning experiences that meets the needs of most pupils
- All teachers have high expectations of all pupils and this contributes well to the good progress that most make
- The school is a caring environment where all staff value pupils highly

Prospects for improvement at St Roberts are good because:

- The headteacher has a clear vision and a set of core values that promote improvement in standards and wellbeing successfully
- The school pays good attention to local and national priorities such as the implementation of the Literacy and Numeracy Framework
- The school's self-evaluation process is well established and involves all staff and governors
- The school identifies accurately relevant areas for improvement and these inform priorities in the school improvement plan
- The school works effectively with a range of partners to improve its provision
- The headteacher deploys all staff effectively to make best use of their experience and expertise
- The school provides good value for money

4.2 The report included the following recommendations:

R1 Improve pupils' standards in their use of numeracy skills across the curriculum
 R2 Improve pupils' independent skills to enable them to make decisions about their own learning
 R3 Ensure that planning secures the systematic development of pupils' information and communication skills (ICT)

4.3 The school will draw up an action plan that shows how it is going to address the recommendations.

4.4 The Local Authority with the Central South Consortium will support the school to address the recommendations.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework and Procedure Rules.

5.1 There is no impact on the Council's policy framework or procedure rules.

6. Equality Impact Assessment

6.1 There are no direct equality impact issues arising from this report.

7. Financial Implications

7.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this information report.

8. Recommendation

- 8.1 It is recommended that Cabinet note the content of this report and that both the school's current performance and prospects for improvement are judged "good" by Estyn.

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Background documents

Estyn Inspection Report