

# BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

## INFORMATION REPORT TO CABINET

15 MARCH 2016

### REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND TRANSFORMATION

#### ESTYN INSPECTION OUTCOMES FOR LLANGEWYDD JUNIOR SCHOOL

#### 1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report informs Cabinet of the outcomes of the recent Estyn inspection of Llangewydd Junior 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 November 2015 and the report was published in January 2016. The full text of the report is available on the Estyn website: [www.estyn.gov.uk](http://www.estyn.gov.uk)

#### 4. Current situation / proposal

4.1 Inspectors reached the following judgements:

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

The school's current performance is good because:

- Many pupils make at least good progress and build on their skills well as they move through the school;
- Pupils of all abilities make good progress in learning and using Welsh as a second language;
- Pupils' behaviour and their level of engagement are good;

- Listening and responding to pupils' views are a strength;
- There is a robust system for assessing and tracking pupils' progress regularly;
- There are outstanding levels of care, support and guidance for all pupils, which also have a positive impact on parents;
- The school is a vibrant community where staff recognise and celebrate the diversity of its pupils.

The school's prospects for improvement are excellent because:

- The headteacher provides highly effective leadership and direction for the school;
- The governing body carries out its duties very well and contributes extensively to the strategic direction of the school;
- The school's arrangements for self-evaluation, monitoring and planning for further improvements are well established and very effective;
- The school has developed an excellent partnership with parents;
- The school has an important and active role within the local community, where outstanding relationships are evident;
- Leaders manage the deployment of staff and resources highly effectively;
- The school uses its resources well to ensure that all groups of pupils achieve successfully.

4.2 The report included the following recommendations:

- R1 Ensure regular and varied opportunities for pupils to use their numeracy skills across the curriculum.
- R2 Improve the consistency of marking and assessment for learning by giving pupils opportunities to respond to teachers' comments.
- R3 Share the highly effective practice of family and community engagement with other schools across Wales.

4.3 The school will draw up a post inspection action plan which will show how it will address the recommendations. At the invitation of Estyn, the school will also prepare a written case study, describing the excellent practice identified during the inspection.

4.4 The Local Authority and the Central South Consortium will support the school to continue to improve outcomes and address all 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 the school's current performance is judged by Estyn to be "good" and prospects for improvement are judged "excellent" by Estyn.

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**Background documents**

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