



# Ysgol Y Waun



## GOVERNORS ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS 23-24



# A message from the Chair of Governors



## Chair of Governors Report 23 -24

It's been an extremely tough start to the Autumn term due to cuts to budgets across Wrexham, I must thank Mrs Rodgers and Mr Roberts for their hard work in getting our school budget in a good place they have both worked hard to make the savings necessary without putting pupil's education at risk.

The end of summer term saw us lose two valuable members of staff, Mrs Green has accepted a new role as a deputy head for which we although sad to lose such a valuable member of staff we are proud that she has been successful and wish her the very best in her new role she will always be a friend of the school.

Mrs Thomas also took the decision to leave and take a step back from teaching, we thank her for her long service to this school and wish her luck in whatever she decides to do, her service has been exemplary and her dedication to the school has been faultless.

We congratulate the children on their hard work and achievements during the 23/24 school year we are very proud of our children and the work they do its always inspiring to see how well they do and how they develop and grow through the school.

The governing body remain dedicated to supporting the school setting the setting the school strategy and holding the school to account, meeting termly with several committees Finance and Staffing monitoring these areas to ensure the school is staffed correctly and finances are monitored. We also have the curriculum committee where the school keep us up to date with children's education a very important part of our structure, in addition we also have a Health and Safety committee where we ensure that the school is safe, and the building is secure.

These committees help to provide the full governing body with concise information and assurance that the school is compliant in all areas, added to this area we are also responsible for the school's policies of which there are many, our last meeting saw us review 12 all that require thorough consideration before acceptance.

Ysgol Y Waun Governing body provide excellent support to the school and give their time freely and willingly as well as termly meeting also taking part in school visits where possible and reviewing documents in their own time. We currently have a couple of vacancies if you feel you could help the school by becoming a governor then feel free to contact me and we can talk you through what is required.

Finally, it is important to thank all the staff on both sites who are extremely dedicated to the school we wish them continued success in the terms to come, also a big thanks to all governors who support the school. We must also thank the pupils of this school who make it such a great place to be the leaving services and Christmas Plays will always stay with me and their politeness when I visit is always welcomed.

Frank Hemmings  
Chair of Governor

# About the School

**Number of Pupils on Role:**  
**Acting Head Teacher: Mrs S. Rodgers**



Teacher	Class	Year
Mrs Newell	Willow	Nursery
Miss Hughes	Maple	Reception
Mrs Thomas	Pine	Reception
Mrs <u>McCunnell</u> /Mrs Edwards	Juniper	Year 1/2
Mrs Lines	Silver Birch	Year 1/2
Mrs Crawshaw	Hazel	Year 1/2
Miss Price	Cherry	Year 3/4
Mrs Green	Elm	Year 3/4
Miss Griffiths	Oak	Year 3/4
Mr Morrow-Powell	Cedar	Year 5
Miss Parry	Sycamore	Year 5/6
Miss Roberts	Beech	Year 6



Governor Name	Position	Status
Mr Frank Hemmings	Chair	LA
Mrs Jackie Allen		LA
Mrs Sarah Manford		LA
Mr Alex Knopp	Vice Chair	Community
Ms Annett Winter		Parent
Mrs Tracey Scudder		Parent
Mrs Jennifer Fawcett-Jones		Parent
Miss Debbie Daniel		Parent
Miss Amy Roberts		Teacher
Miss Katie James		Staff
Mrs Steph Rodgers		Acting Headteacher

## School Attendance

### School Attendance for Sept 22 - July 23

**92% attendance**

**6.2% authorised absences**

**1.8% unauthorised absences**

#### Comments

All Wales Attendance for the same period currently stands at 92.8%

3.9% authorised absences

1.6% unauthorised absences

#### Exclusions

There were no fixed term exclusions in 2023-24

## Extra Curricular Activities

There have been many extra curricular activities available to the children this year including:

Netball

Football

Art club

Lego 'Wedo'

Choir

Outdoor Rangers

Makaton

Multi - sports

Board Games

## Educational School Trips/ Residential Activities/ Visitors to School

#### Visitors to School

Water Aid

PC Hulley

Cricket skills

Music workshops

Taekwondo

Macaton - Derwen College

Tag Rugby

Wrexham Football

Magi Ann

Mewn Cymeriad

#### School Trips

Walks to the Aqueduct

Walks to Chirk castle

Walk to Llangollen

Crocky Trail

Park hall Farm

Jambori

Eisteddfod

Cosford

#### Residential Activities

Nant BH

Cardiff

#### Sports tournaments:

Tennis centre

Cricket at the AAA's

Girls and Boys football

Sports festival at Dinas Bran

Athletics at Plasmadoc

Tag Rugby

Netball

Accrington Stanley Football

#### Celebration Days

MacMillan coffee morning

Harvest

Eisteddfod

Easter

Christmas

Egyptian gallery

Summer Fair

Children in Need.

World Book Day

Decades Day

Chinese New Year

Diwali

Eid

# School Financial Statement

## School Fund Account

Opening Balance £12,141.31

Income £68,697.57

Expenditure £44,270.57

Closing Balance on £36,568.31

## School Budget

Opening balance £ -22,609

Employee Costs £1,621,499

Premises Costs £170,339

Transport costs £24.30

Supplies £37,220

Closing Balance £-211,389

## Additional learning Needs Update

Estyn Inspection Report 10.2.23

**‘Provision for pupils with additional learning needs (ALN) and complex social and emotional needs is a strength of the school.’**

This Year we have been running 2 Nurture provision rooms, one for the children on Lloyds Lane site, the other for children on Chapel Lane site to access in the afternoons. Within these settings the children have the opportunity to develop their social, emotional and behaviour skills following personal targets with access to specialised resources such as ELSA and Boxall.

## School Accessibility and the School Equality Plan

Ysgol Y Waun prides itself on providing an environment which is accessible to all pupils regardless of educational and/ or physical needs. We have an ‘Equality Policy’ and ‘Action Plan’ which is reviewed by our Governing Body. Actions detailed within the plan aim to provide all pupils with ‘equal access’ to school opportunities.

# School Priorities 2023-24

To develop numeracy with a focus on reasoning and questioning, ensuring that pupils use their maths skills across the curriculum and in real life contexts.

To further develop Ysgol Y Waun as a learning organisation with a specific focus on distributive leadership

To further develop the school's curriculum - ensuring consistent approaches to teaching and learning across the school

## Improvements to our Built Environment

- Replaced the mechanism in the front door on Lloyds Lane.
- Replaced carpet in old 'Rainbows room' on Lloyds Lane site.
- Provided storage for scooters and bikes on Chapel Lane site.
- School corridor re-painted on Chapel Lane.
- Re-carpeted school corridor on Chapel Lane.
- Re-carpeted school corridor on Lloyds lane.



# Estyn Inspection Report

## 10.2.23



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**'Ysgol Y Waun is a caring and inclusive school at the heart of its community. Despite being across two separate sites, the school provides a collective family feel where all pupils and families are made to feel welcome'**

**'The headteacher, all leaders and staff have developed a positive culture of teamwork. They ensure that pupils are well-cared for and that all pupils have their needs met appropriately.'**

**"Across the school pupils develop positive working relationships with adults and they trust them to act in their best interests at all times.'**

**"They behave well across the school and demonstrate respect for the contributions of others, for example by allowing others to speak or by remaining calm when others disagree with them.'**

**We continue to make our 'Estyn Recommendations' a key priority in our School Development Plan 23-24**

### Recommendations

**R1 Address the health and safety concerns identified during the week of inspection**

**R2 Refine self-evaluation processes to ensure that school development planning and grant planning targets are well focused**

**R3 Improve provision to support pupils' application of their numeracy skills across the curriculum and in real-life situations**

# Term Dates 24-25

## Autumn Term

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Staff Training Day

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Staff Training Day

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September – School Open for Pupils

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – School Closes for Autumn Half Term Holiday

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Staff Training Day

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – School Open for Pupils

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – School Closes to Pupils for Christmas Holiday

## Spring Term

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January – Staff Training Day

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January – School Open for Pupils

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February – School Closes for Spring Half Term

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – School Open for Pupils

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April – School Closes for Easter Holidays

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Staff Training Day

## Summer Term

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April – School Open for Pupils

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May – May Day Bank Holiday

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – School Closes for Whit Half Term

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – School Opens for Pupils

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July – School Closes for Summer Holidays.



## **DESTINATION OF SCHOOL LEAVERS—JULY 2024**

**30 PUPILS WILL JOIN YSGOL DINAS BRAN IN SEPTEMBER 2024**

**1 PUPIL WILL JOIN YSGOL RHIWABON IN SEPTEMBER 2024**

**9 PUPILS WILL JOIN ST MARTINS SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2024**

**2 PUPILS WILL JOIN LLANFYLLIN SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2024**

**1 PUPIL WILL JOIN CYWEDOG SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2024**

**1 PUPIL WILL JOIN ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2024**

## **School Plans and Policies**

**All schools have policies and procedures in place which ensure that they run safely and effectively.**

**The Full Governing Body and supporting committees meet termly to review policies with priority given to statutory policies.**

**Policies are available, upon request, from the school office**

## **Links within our Community**

**Our governing body prides itself on excellent links between school and the local community.**

**Annual events include:**

- Visiting speakers including Reverend Mat, PC Hulley and Jane Webber Christian youth worker**
- Links to charities including Nightingale House, Hope House and Oswestry Foodbank**
- School choir performing for Chirk Court residents and Chirk hospital residents**
- Visits to St Marys Church for Christmas celebrations**
- Attendance at Remembrance Sunday and Christmas Lights switch on**
- Links with local shops including the SPAR, COOP and TESCO**
- \_Chirk Castle**
- Chirk Court**
- Collaboration project with Chirk Hospital**

## **SCHOOL PROSPECTUS**

**For more information regarding the day to day running of the school you can request a copy of the school prospectus.**

**You can request a copy by emailing: [mailbox@ywaun-pri.wrexham.sch.uk](mailto:mailbox@ywaun-pri.wrexham.sch.uk) or by downloading the prospectus from our school website at:**

**[www.ysgolywaun.co.uk](http://www.ysgolywaun.co.uk)**