#### **BRYNHYFRYD INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOLS**

## PROPOSAL TO AMALGAMATE THE SCHOOLS INTO AN ALL-THROUGH PRIMARY FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER 2015

### CONSULTATION PAPER FOR PUPILS

#### What does the Council want to do?

- Amalgamate Brynhyfryd Infant and Junior Schools
- Amalgamate means that Brynhyfryd Infant and Junior schools would become one school called a Primary School instead of two separate schools
- To do this we have to say we are closing Brynhyfryd Infant and Juniors and then opening a new Primary school but it will be for the same children and using the same school buildings

### Why close both schools and open a primary school instead?

- These are the last separate infant and junior schools left in Swansea. All of the others have been made into primary schools already
- Things that are bought can be shared by the infants and juniors
- In bigger schools there are more teachers who all have different skills, there is more equipment to share and there are more children to take part in sports, clubs and other activities
- Some Deputy Headteachers have left the schools and the Headteacher of the Junior school will retire in August

### What does this mean for children?

- The change would take place in September next year (2015). So children in Years 5 and 6 now would not see any change. Only children who are in Year 4 or below at the moment will become part of the new primary school
- Children would start at the school in nursery and be part of the same school until they go to comprehensive school
- The same buildings would be used for the new school
- Children could move between the school buildings a bit more than they do now
- There will only be one Headteacher for the school
- Teachers will still teach the same subjects to pupils
- The school would have a new name
- Children would need to have a new school uniform

### Did you know?

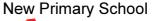
The UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of The Child) is a worldwide agreement that says all children and young people have rights. Article 12 of the UNCRC says that children and young people have a right to have their voice heard and listened to in decisions that affect their life. We think this should include decisions about your school.

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Brynhyfryd Infant + Brynhyfryd Junior









# What does this mean for teachers and other people working at the school?

- Most would get a job in the new primary school
- Some may retire or get a job somewhere else

# What will happen to the school buildings?

- The new school will use the same buildings as the infant and junior schools do now
- The buildings do not need to change

### What happens next?

- Councillors will meet in September to find out what people said during the consultation period. They will then decide whether to go to the next stage of the proposal
- If they decide to go ahead, the next stage is called the 'Statutory Notice' period. A notice will be sent to your parents/carers and a copy will be put up in the school and local library. The notice will explain what the proposal is about and what people can do if they do not want the Infants and Juniors to become a Primary
- If anyone says that they do not like the proposal then Councillors will meet in January 2015 to talk about what people have said and decide what to do next
- The earliest date that the new primary school would open is 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015

# How can children say what they think of the idea?

- You can fill in the slip below and give it to your teacher
- Children can write in to the Council by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014 to make their views known

### Write to:

Miss Kelly Small, Education Department, Civic Centre, Swansea SA1 3SN or e-mail kelly.small@swansea.gov.uk

 People who work for the Education Department will meet with the school councils of both schools on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014

The idea of making Brynhyfryd Infant and Junior Schools into a new Primary makes me feel: (please colour in)

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