

Report of the Convener of the Education Scrutiny Performance Panel 19 November 2020

Wellbeing in Schools Waun Wen Primary School

Purpose: Practice based meeting to look at Wellbeing as part of the

panels ongoing monitoring of this issue

Content: Practice based meeting to look at how the school meets the

needs of their most vulnerable pupils, the challenges they face and what they do to meet/mitigate those challenges including

through the Covid-19 crisis.

Councillors are Consider the information provided and make their views known

being asked to: to the Cabinet Member via a Conveners Letter.

Lead Convener Education Scrutiny Performance Panel

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1. Context

The Panel agreed as part of their work programme this year to speak to a selection of schools to look at a variety of issues including overall school performance and to meet with a primary school to as part of their watching brief on wellbeing in education. This also follows a meeting the panel had in relation to wellbeing last year with a comprehensive school, Dylan Thomas.

2. Waun Wen Primary School

Find below some issues identified for discussion. These points have been sent to the Headteacher in advance of the meeting.

The Panel would like to discuss how the school is meeting the needs of its most vulnerable pupils, which will include looking at:

- 1. What are the challenges faced in relation to wellbeing and what the school does to meet/mitigate these?
- 2. What the school is doing to address the challenges that have been caused by the Covid-19 crisis?
- 3. How the governing body is supporting the school to improve wellbeing including through the Covid-19 crisis?
- 4. What support is and/or has been given by the local authority and the school improvement service to help you with the wellbeing and support for pupils, including through the Covid-19 crisis?

3. Waun Wen Primary School – Some background information

Headteacher: Ms Catherine Nicklin

Website: https://www.waunwenprimaryschool.co.uk/

Most recent data published on https://mylocalschool.gov.wales (this is for

2019)

213 Number of Pupils, 2018

44.7%

Free school meals (FSM) - 3 year average (Secondary only)

21.8%

Special Educational Needs (secondary only)

38.9%

English as an Additional Language

94.0%

% Attendance during the year (Secondary only)

£3798

School budget per pupil

Yellow Support Category

4. Estyn Inspection Outcome

The most recent: https://www.estyn.gov.wales/provider/6702067