



Welshpool Church in Wales Primary School

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ESTYN REPORT PUBLISHED!

We are delighted to be able to announce that the Estyn report has been published following the inspection in March. We are pleased to be able to share some of the headlines with you through this special edition newsletter.

“Pupils' well-being is at the heart of the school and staff work hard to ensure that the school is a thoughtful and inclusive environment. This inclusivity is shown by the positive relationships between staff and pupils. Teachers, including those in the specialist centres, think carefully about how pupils learn best and employ a range of approaches to engage them successfully in their learning. All staff are developing their professional skills and knowledge together well. This enables them to adapt provision to best meet individual pupils' needs. The care, support and guidance provided across the school community is *exceptional and supports the school's vision, to 'bring out the best in each other'”*

“Most pupils settle quickly and work purposefully, they behave responsibly and move around and between rooms safely and sensibly. They collaborate well and show respect and care for the ideas of others when working in pairs and groups. Most pupils play co-operatively, take turns and support each other well when playing games and socialising at break times. Most pupils act considerately towards other pupils and adults. They explore important values such as trust and compassion through the curriculum and demonstrate these qualities well throughout the day. Pupils know who to turn to if they have worries or concerns and that staff will provide them with the support they need. They know that they can rely on adults to deal effectively with any instances of poor behaviour. As a result of these positive attitudes and the work staff have done to create a strong nurturing ethos, the school is a calm and orderly learning environment.”

“The school knows its pupils, their backgrounds and the local community very well. Leaders and staff have developed a range of effective systems to ensure that pupils and their families receive the encouragement and support they need to flourish at school. Its work to support pupils' emotional well-being through a wide variety of nurture strategies is highly effective.”

“In a relatively short period of time and through the challenges of a pandemic, leaders have created an inclusive culture where pupils feel secure and have a strong sense of belonging. Leaders have a solid understanding of the diverse needs of individual pupils and the local community, they have a 'can do' approach and strive with great passion to meet these needs effectively.”

“The school's work in partnership with parents and support agencies is exceptional. Leaders think carefully about how to adapt the school's provision to ensure better engagement with parents. For example, the school pastoral team organise courses that help parents to support their child's well-being and provide thoughtful aid to those who find themselves in challenging circumstances. Parents have a deep trust that the school is doing the right thing for their children and that staff will always act in their best interests and work with them sensitively.”

RECOMMENDATIONS

Improve provision for the development of pupils' literacy and numeracy skills
Improve teachers' use of assessment and feedback to support pupil progress in lessons and over time
Strengthen self-evaluation processes to focus more specifically on the impact of teaching on learning

NEXT STEPS

As the school's support for Young Carers has been judged to be “innovative and effective” the school has been asked to produce a case study that will be published on the Estyn website and shared with all schools across Wales.

Thank you to all our pupils, staff, governors and parents/carers for your support throughout the school year.
For the full report please follow this link: [Welshpool Church in Wales Primary School | Estyn \(gov.wales\)](https://www.welshpoolchurchinwalesprimaryschool.gov.wales)