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Dear Parent/Guardian

### **Estyn Inspection Report on Ysgol Pentrecelyn**

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that Estyn (the education inspectorate) has given Ysgol Pentrecelyn a glowing report following its recent inspection of the school.

The inspection report which was published last week, highlights that Ysgol Pentrecelyn is an excellent school, delivering high quality education and learning experiences through effective teaching and a rich curriculum.

You can read the full inspection report here: <https://www.estyn.gov.wales/inspection-reports>

Some of the highlights from the report include comments such as:

- *“Ysgol Pentrecelyn is a homely, happy school where pupils and adults work together effectively. Pupils’ behaviour is excellent.”*
- *“The school’s curriculum provides a rich range of learning experiences for pupils of all ages.”*
- *“The school provides robustly to develop pupils’ spiritual, moral, social and cultural attitudes.”*
- *“The school provides many opportunities that encourage pupils to take part in the arts and in sports and leisure.”*
- *“Provision to develop pupils’ Welsh and English is effective. They are given an appropriate range of opportunities to develop their numeracy skills in different interesting and practical contexts.”*
- *“Teachers provide learning experiences that hold pupils’ interest and raise their aspirations for their careers and the world of work.”*
- *“The wealth of learning areas both inside and outside the building supports pupils’ well-being successfully.”*
- *“Teachers encourage a positive mindset among pupils and emphasise the importance of challenging themselves and not being afraid to fail sometimes.”*
- *“The school sets high expectations in terms of pupils’ behaviour and, as a result, pupils behave extremely politely and kindly towards each other, staff and visitors.”*
- *“The headteacher sets a robust and clear direction for the school.”*
- *“A decision was made to invest in computer equipment for all pupils. The effect of this can be seen on pupils’ progress.”*

- *“Pupils’ behaviour is excellent. They treat their fellow pupils with genuine kindness and consider their needs and feelings. Their behaviour during collective assemblies is exceptional.”*
- *“Most children speak polished and natural Welsh, including those who do not come from Welsh-speaking homes.”*

The report makes just two recommendations which the school is already addressing through our strong focus on continual improvement.

I’m sure you will join me in thanking and congratulating the headteacher, all of the staff and everyone involved in running the school for such an excellent report. As Governors we also extend our thanks to you, the wider school family, for your continued support.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of the report (or any other matter) please get in touch with Mr Evans or any of the school governors who will be more than happy to help.

The publication of this report is a significant moment in the school’s continued development. It underlines that Ysgol Pentrecelyn is a highly successful school, both in the classroom and beyond.

It is a ringing endorsement of how a smaller rural school can give our children a strong and effective education, complimented by rich and broad extracurricular experiences.

Congratulations to everyone on a truly outstanding inspection report. It stands us in excellent stead as we look forward to a positive and exciting future for our school - all with the aim of giving our children the best possible start in life.

Yours sincerely

Llyr Gruffydd

Chair of Ysgol Pentrecelyn School Governors