## ADRODDIAD BLYNYDDOL CORFF LLYWODRAETHOL YSGOL HENBLAS (2022-2023)



We are pleased to present the Annual Report of the Governors of Ysgol Henblas in accordance with School Governors Annual Report Regulations (Wales).

We do not intend to hold a specific meeting to discuss this report unless a significant number of parents ask for a meeting. If you feel you would like to attend such a meeting could you please make a written request to the school by 08/03/2024. Otherwise we hope that you will enjoy reading about our school's successful year. You are welcome to get in touch with the chair of the governors or the headteacher should you wish to have additional information about anything, or if you would like to make a comment about this report.

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## 1. Message from the Chair

It is a pleasure to present the Ysgol Henblas Annual Report 2022-2023 to you on behalf of the school's Governing Body. The purpose of the report is to present an overview of the school's main activities and achievements during the last academic year.

During recent years, under the guidance of Mr Jones the Headteacher and other members of very dedicated staff, the school has continued to thrive and achieve the high standards set. We are always very proud of our pupils' successes, and continue to appreciate every member of staff, teaching and non-teaching, for their hard work and dedication to ensure that pupils experience a special learning environment that is also fun and enjoyable.

Education is a team effort between parents, governors, teachers and pupils and we appreciate your support, involvement and enthusiasm towards school life and the education of your children. We also appreciate and thank members of the Parent Teacher Association for their dedication and tireless efforts to support the school in so many ways.

The school's success is a result of the excellent teamwork between all staff, pupils, parents, governors, and the wider community. The new Curriculum for Wales means that there are some exciting changes happening in the world of education and as a school we are confident that we can respond to and satisfy these requirements.

We will therefore continue to ensure that each pupil here has "roots to grow, wings to fly".

Eleri Stephen

### 2. INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHOOL AND THE GOVERNING BODY 2022-2023

Chair of the Governing Body Mrs Eleri Stephen

Vice-chair Mrs Nia Allen

Headteacher Mr Huw Jones

Clerk to the Governing Body Mrs Margaret Williams

### **Governors - Parents**

Mrs Eleri Stephen Mrs Sioned McGuigan Dr. Nia Allen Mr Gethin Thomas

## Governors - Co-opted community member

Mrs Natalie Owen

### **Governors - Staff**

Mrs Manon Roberts Mr Huw Edward Jones

## **Governors – Representatives of the Local Education Authority**

Councillor Geraint Bebb Mr Paul Roberts

## **Governors – Community Council**

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## **STAFFING SEPTEMBER 2022:**

Nursery/Reception: Mrs Sian Herbert Year 1 & 2: Mrs Manon Roberts Year 3 & 4: Mrs Heather Williams Year 5 & 6: Mr Huw Jones/Mrs Legge

PPA Teacher: Mrs Sue Legge ALN Coordinator: Mrs Roberts

Assistants/learning interventions: Mrs Diane Edwards, Mrs Nia Jones, Mrs Sharon Barton, Mrs Rozena

Hughes, Mrs Glenys Williams, Mrs Paula Harvey Kitchen staff: Miss Sian Pritchard and Mrs Tracy Jones

Carer: Mr Barry Jones

Lunchtime supervisor: Ms Pat Williams

Instrumental coaches: Ali White, Elen Keen, Tomos Owen, Euron Jones

Name	Role	Responsibility	Area of learning and experience responsibility
Huw Edward Jones	Headteacher Teacher	Whole school	Expressive arts Mathematics Language
Manon Roberts	FP Teacher	ALN Safeguarding	Science Mathematics Language
Sue Legge	KS2/PPA Teacher	Wellbeing Healthy Group	Humanities Mathematics Language
Heather Williams	KS2 Teachers	Mathematics	Science Health and wellbeing Expressive arts
Sian Herbert	FP Teacher	Digital Science Eco Group	Science Humanities Health and wellbeing
Sharon Barton	Assistant	Supporting an ALN pupil	
Glenys Williams	Assistant	Supporting an ALN pupil	
Nia Jones	Assistant	Supporting an ALN pupil	
Rozena Hughes	Assistant	Targeting pupils	
Paula Harvey	Assistant	Supporting an ALN pupil	
Diane Edwards	Assistant	Supporting class teachers	

# NUMBERS IN EACH CLASS SEPTEMBER 2022 (Total pupils September 2022 = 105):

Nursery and Reception: 29

Year 1 & 2: 19 Year 3 & 4: 27 Year 5 & 6: 30

# Linguistic background of the children - May 2023:

		Don't speak Welsh at		
	Speak Welsh	home but are fluent in	Speak Welsh but	Can't speak any
Age	at home	Welsh	not fluent	Welsh

Yr 5 & 6	22	5	3	0
Yr 3 & 4	23	2	2	0
Yr 2	5	3	0	0
Yr 1	8	1	2	0
Yr 0	10	2	4	0
Nursery	8	0	2	3
Total	76	13	13	3
	72	12	12	3
Percentage				

## **Transfers to secondary school:**

13/14 pupils moved to the nearby secondary school, Ysgol Gyfun Llangefni.

## Staff training 2022-2023:

During the year, the staff have undertaken a lot of training on the curriculum in order to receive professional development.

## School holidays 2022-2023

## **TERM:**

Autumn 2022

1 September 2022 - 23 December 2022

Spring 2023

9 January 2023 - 31 March 2023

**Summer 2023** 

17 April 2023 - 20 July 2023

Pupils return to school on Friday, 2 September 2022.

## **HOLIDAYS:**

31 October - 4 November 2022 (half term)

26 December 2022 - 6 January 2023 (Christmas holidays)

20 - 24 February 2023 (half term)

3 - 14 April 2023 (easter holidays)

1 May 2023 (May Day)

29 May - 2 June 2023 (half term)

21 July - 31 August 2023 (summer holidays)

The number of days every month the schools will be open:

**SEPTEMBER 2022 22** 

OCTOBER 2022 20

**NOVEMBER 2022 18** 

**DECEMBER 2022 17** 

**JANUARY 2023 17** 

**FEBRUARY 2023 15** 

MARCH 2023 23

**APRIL 2023 10** 

MAY 2023 19

JUNE 2023 20

JULY 2023 14 ---- 195

## **INSET:**

September 1 2022

September 2 2022

November 7 2022

February 17 2023

June 5 2023

June 23 2023

## 3. Summary of the body's meetings

## September 28 2022

1. Welcome and confirmation of attendance

Geraint Bebb was welcomed to his first meeting as the LEA representative.

2. Election of a Chair

ES was nominated by MW and seconded by STh.

3. Election of a Vice-chair

NA was nominated by ES and seconded by HJ.

NA is Vice-chair.

4. Appointment of an additional learning needs designated governor

ES to continue.

5. Appointment of a child protection designated governor.

ES to continue.

6. Appointment of an equality designated governor

PR to continue.

7. Appointment of a health, safety and buildings designated governor.

PR/STh/HJ were nominated.

8. Appointment of a relationships and sexuality education designated governor

ES was nominated.

9. Statutory committees

Continue with the same members and fill any vacant seats.

10. Updating the governor interests register

Everyone to update the form on the governors' secure website.

11. Governors Training

A discussion was held on the programme for 2022/23 and governors were encouraged to attend.

- 12. Criminal Registering Sheets
- 13. Governor Behaviour Code

Everyone was asked to look at it.

14. Current matters

i) Returning to school

An overview of numbers was given, and it was agreed that they were very positive.

ii) Safeguarding Policy

Adopted.

iii) Playframe on the yard

An update was given, noting that 2 companies have been to see the school to give an estimate price: Pentagon Play and Sovereign Play. There was a discussion on the two options, and it was strongly agreed that something is needed on the yard for the older children. It was agreed to go with Sovereign Play, but HJ needs to check if there is a warranty with the equipment.

iv) Governor Questionnaire

Members to fill in.

### November 16

- 1. Gwenno Jones was welcomed along with members of the School Council to the meeting.
- 2. Members of the School Council were welcomed to the meeting and presentations were given by them on the work they have done during the term. They were thanked for attending.
- 3. GJ was welcomed to the meeting and a presentation was given by her on the role of a governor as a "critical friend". Praise was given on the work of the governors over recent years.
- 4. A thorough report was given by HEJ on the school's current situation, noting that there are now 105 on roll. Everyone was encouraged to have a look at the school website.
- 5. Teacher Assessment Summer 2022

An overview was given of the new regime, looking at summer 2022 data findings. It was agreed that the data is favourable. It was explained that the structure of end of year reports is changing from now on and that a format needs to be decided upon. HEJ to work on a new format for the end of year report.

- 6. It was agreed that a health and safety audit would be carried out 29.11.22 and that HEJ would construct a report on the findings. The attention of members was drawn to the overview of the fire assessment in the governors folder.
- 7. An overview was given of the priorities for 2022-23: School priorities:
  - reading
  - oracy
  - reasoning
  - mathematics
  - ALN

ALN priorities: an overview was given by MR, noting that they have been slightly finetuned. Catchment priorities:

- digital education
- ALN
- 8. Governing body questionnaire October 2022. An overview was given of the responses. Concern was expressed that no response is received after the governors register for the training. It was agreed that this needs to be followed up.
- 9. Members' attention was drawn to the policy list being reviewed.
- 10. Finance. It was noted that the climbing frame has been ordered and will be installed January 2023.
- 11. Any other business

Christmas Fayre: it was noted that the fayre would be held on 1.12.22.

Christmas event for the elderly in the hall: an event will be held in the hall, and it was asked whether the children could come to sing on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December.

#### March 30

1. Personal and Relationships Education

A presentation was given by SL on the Relationships and Sexuality Education Code. It was noted that parents don't have the right to opt children out of lessons. Following a discussion, it was agreed to send the document out to parents after the half term.

- 2. An overview was given of the policies, and following a discussion it was agreed to adopt them.
- 3. It was reported that an audit has been carried out on 29.11.22 and an overview was given of the content.
- 4. ALN report: It was noted that the annual meeting with IOaCC quality officers was held 9.2.23 and that there has been great praise of the school's work in the field of ALN.
- 5. An update was given on the situation regarding the Caban provision tender. It was explained that Siwgr Plwm had been awarded the tender and now provides the nursery school and the care club.
- 6. It was noted that absence and attendance are very strong on the Council's agenda and the school is required to monitor it on a regular basis. It was explained that Angela Bennett (welfare officer) is collaborating with the school in this area.
- 7. Finance: Reported back from a meeting with Gwenda Woodford and the main points were:
  - The school is facing a deficit over the coming years of approx. £47,960
  - Can maintain staffing for this year
  - Using £40k in reserves
  - Balances for this year seem fine
  - Possibility of cuts in 2024/25
  - Accelerated grant lasts for another 3 years.
- 8. Standards Panel 30.11.22: An overview was given of the meeting.

9. Any other business: Modernising Learning Communities and Developing the Welsh Language Strategy: members' attention was drawn to this consultation which will open 31.3.23 and end 18.5.23.

Catchment governors meeting: It was noted that a meeting would be held for all Cefni catchment governors on Tuesday 20 June 2023 at 5:30 to 7pm in the Council Chamber, Llangefni.

MR was thanked for taking over at the school during HEJ's absence.

## May 25

- 1. A presentation was given by Elin Williams on GDPR. She explained that the school, including the governors, is a data controller and explained the implications of this.
- 2. The governors were split into 3 groups to look at work in the 3 priority areas: Reading, Mathematics and ALN. Discussions were had following this and the work was highly praised.
- 3. An overview was given by HEJ on what has been taking place at the school over recent weeks. Governors' attention was drawn to the fact that admission forecasts for 2023/24 are lower than expected and many implications will derive from this, e.g., decrease in funds. For September 2023 the school will continue to hold 4 classes, and an overview was given of the staffing regime.
- 4. An overview was given of Gwenno Jones' (GwE) most recent report, drawing governors' attention to the main points. It was noted that we will have a new leader in September. 5. An overview was given of the recent consultation on the Modernisation Strategy in Anglesey by HJ and a discussion was had on what impact it will have on schools.
- 6. HJ noted that he had been informed that the yard won't be tarred over the summer. HJ to arrange a health and safety walk around the school with the relevant governors.
- 7. An overview was given of the grants dashboard and the expenditure taking place. It was noted that the school has received the Education Improvement Grant which corresponds to the priorities.
- 8. AOB: The members were reminded about the catchment meeting held on Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2023 at 5:30pm at the Council Chamber, Llangefni.

## July 12

- 1. Members of the School Council were welcomed to the meeting and a clear overview was given by them of the work they have been doing during the year.
- 2. Catchment Governors Meeting 20.6.23

An overview was given of the discussions had in the meeting, and the governors who attended were thanked.

3. An overview and discussion on 22/23 priorities were had:

Reading: open evening for parents arranged for 20/9/23 to discuss skills for reading with children.

Reasoning: an overview was given on the reasoning learning walk 5/6/23.

- 4. A discussion was had on the priorities for 23/24, and the self-evaluation regime was explained to see what the possible priorities are. A discussion was had, and it was agreed that it is important to work with the community and local businesses. It was agreed to invite Stuart Pritchard and to meet in the autumn term to finish the self-evaluation framework. It was agreed to have a designated governor for the priorities:
  - Language Charter (SW/SMcG)
  - Digital competency framework's citizenship strand (PR/ST)
  - Attendance (ES/GB)
  - Feedback on pupils' work (NA/NO)

Governors were asked to give their comments on the priorities.

5. The policies were distributed beforehand, and a discussion was had during the meeting. It was agreed to accept them.

- 6. A discussion was had on the Service Level Agreements below and following a discussion, it was agreed to accept them.
  - Education, Oriel, Museums and Archives Service
  - Library Service
  - Sickness Scheme
  - Finance

#### Finance

An overview was given of the current situation:

- HEJ has filled in the balances questionnaire
- Music lessons to remain at the same cost of £160 a year
- School fund: GO has held an audit.
- 8. It was noted that HEJ, PR, ST held a health and safety walk around the school and an overview was given on the findings.
- 9. The governors were thanked for their work during the year.

## 4. Financial Matters

Please see minutes from meetings during the year for further details.

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## 5. SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

YSGOL HENBLAS IMPROVEMENT PLAN - LOOKING BACK AND TO THE FUTURE!

PRIORITY 1 – Raising Welsh reading standards across the school.

PRIORITY 2 – Improving coding skills across the school.

PRIORITY 3 – Implementing the requirements of the Additional Learning Needs Code across the school.

PRIORITY 4 – Raising numeric reasoning standards across the school.

For further information please see the following link:

http://ysgolhenblas.org/downloads/190723-ffgy\_cy.pdf

http://ysgolhenblas.org/downloads/190723-ffgy\_en.pdf

#### 6. CURRICULAR DEVELOPMENTS/VARIOUS ACTIVITIES

### The school's language:

Ysgol Henblas is a Welsh language school that provides education through the medium of both languages. From year 2 onwards, English is introduced as part of the provision.

## Food and Fitness (Promoting Healthy Eating and Lifestyle)

The school tries hard to promote a healthy lifestyle. If lunch boxes are sent with pupils to school for lunchtime, we kindly ask parents to support the school's healthy eating policy by not including chocolate, sweets, etc., in the boxes. The pupils are encouraged to bring fruit to eat during the morning break.

Foundation Phase pupils receive free milk every day. Again, following our healthy eating policy, we ensure that drinking water is available to pupils all day.

An excellent lunch is provided to our children and due recognition was given to this. The school meal uptake is among the highest in Anglesey.

Mike Allen and Louise Martin (parents) hold regular gardening sessions with the children, which promotes their understanding of food's journey from the garden to the plate.

### After school clubs - sports

Various clubs: We are grateful for all the clubs at Ysgol Henblas after 3:15pm. The Urdd, rugby, Disney Playmaker, netball and football clubs were very popular. Thank you to the parents and staff for holding these clubs.

### Link to the community:

Food bank appeal — we succeeded to gather many goods for the foodbank appeal during December, and two members of the branch in Holyhead came to pick up the goods, and was very grateful. Area paper — monthly contributions to the area paper share news about the school.

Children in need – the campaign was supported again this year.

Teams4U: All the boxes were safely transported to Ysgol Llangefni.

Siwgwr Plwm Henblas: there is close contact between the school and Siwgwr Plwm Henblas and we are in close contact with the community to identify the numbers who will be attending in future.

#### **Experiences:**

Here is a film to provide you with a taste of 2022-23:

https://youtu.be/0sn7bAOW97I

For a full list of experiences, please see our school website:

http://ysgolhenblas.org/newyddion.html

### Special Educational Needs / Additional Learning Needs

Many children receive special educational needs education during their time at the school. Some children have specific special needs, a physical disability or special ability (More Able and Talented) that needs to be expanded. Using the accelerated grant, two teachers were employed to target and hold these groups. Our aim is to respond to the requirements of each child through careful planning, using a range of visual, audio and kinaesthetic strategies that enable learners to reach their full potential.

Mrs Manon Roberts is the school's Additional Learning Needs Coordinator. During the academic year 2022/2023, all staff contributed to the support required by each pupil. The classroom assistants work closely with the class teachers and external agencies to ensure that each child has the opportunity to

reach their full potential. We continue to implement Tric a Chlic, Safmeds, Dyfal Donc and Talkabout as interventions to support and develop the literacy, numeracy, emotional and social skills of pupils.

### **Equal Opportunities**

We believe that each individual, no matter what their race, background, religion or disability has the right to receive equal opportunity at this school. We take pride in that we are a school that welcomes pupils, staff and parents from different social backgrounds, races, disabilities, beliefs, languages, sexual orientations, and ages.

#### **School Access Plan**

As a school, we understand the importance of effective teaching and learning that ensure the best experiences for each pupil at the school. We ensure that every pupil with a disability has the same experiences as everyone else at the school. We evaluate our performance consistently to ensure that the requirements of each child are fulfilled. The school has a relevant policy and access plan.

### **Policies**

The school reviews and evaluates the success of the strategies used at the school on a regular basis. There is a full list of school policies available at the school. If you would like to see or discuss any policy, you are welcome to make an appointment to discuss this with the Headteacher.

### **Health and Safety**

The external doors are secured by having a special fob to gain access. Each visitor visits the school office first where they sign in and receive a visitor's badge. The yard is suitable for pupils and adults with disabilities. The school has a comprehensive health and safety policy to ensure a safe environment for everyone within the school.

#### **Toilets**

The toilets fulfil statutory requirements. They are cleaned on a daily basis. There is one disabled toilet. If any matter arises due to the cleanliness of the toilets, someone will deal with the matter as quickly as possible.

## Welsh Government Free Breakfast Scheme

The Breakfast Scheme funded by Welsh Government is going from strength to strength and is full in terms of numbers. The purpose of the scheme is to provide breakfast to those who wouldn't receive it at home.

### School committees (2022-2023)

The pupil's voice is very important at the school, and this is implemented through these groups:

School Council Eco Group Healthy Schools Group Language Charter