



Annual Report of the Governing Body to Parents

2022–23



GOVERNORS' ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS 2021 – 2022

Dear Parents, Staff and Stakeholders,

It is my pleasure to present the annual report from the Chair of Governors for the 2022–23 academic year. As we reflect on the past year, it is clear that our school community has shown resilience, adaptability and commitment throughout the year.

Introduction: The academic year 2022–23 marked another year of growth, learning and achievement for Ysgol Coed y Gof. Our mission to provide an exceptional educational experience for our students remained at the forefront of all our efforts.

School Improvement Plan: I am pleased to report on significant progress in the school improvement plan, with many successes and positive outcomes during the past year as seen in the report.

Extra–Curricular Activities: Our school ran a vibrant extra–curricular programme, offering students a wide range of opportunities to explore their interests, from sports to the arts and technology.

Governance and Leadership: Our Governing Body continued to provide strategic guidance, oversight and support to the school's leadership team.

Financial Health: The budget has been effectively managed, resulting in a surplus for this year, however, we must remain vigilant as we anticipate financial challenges ahead due to the current economic climate.

Community Engagement: We continued our efforts to strengthen links with parents, and the local community, fostering a sense of unity and shared responsibility.

Future Goals: Looking ahead, we remain committed to improving the educational experience at Ysgol Coed y Gof and we are committed to achieving our long–term goals.

Conclusion: As we conclude this report, I would like to thank everyone who has played a part in the success of our school during the past year. Together, we have survived challenges and celebrated successes, and I am confident that the coming year will bring more opportunities for growth and success.

You are welcome to contact the Governing Body with any questions or feedback. Your input is valuable to us.

With best wishes,

Llinos Bradbury,
Chair of Governors



THE GOVERNING BODY

The Governors work with the school's Head and Staff to ensure that the school raises standards and provides a successful teaching and learning environment for the children.

The Governing Body helps to ensure that the school is accountable to parents, the local community and the local authority and does so in a transparent way regarding the results and the way its resources are allocated.

The Body operates a system of sub-committees, which report back to the full body every term. Each sub-committee manages, supports and supervises different areas of Coed-y-Gof school life. To be effective, regular visits to the school are usually carried out such as learning trips and Governors contact meetings with teachers, together with the opportunity to share training with staff.

A full financial report is attached in appendix 1.

GOVERNING BODY MEMBERSHIP 2022–23

Llinos Bradbury	Chair (Parent)
Carys Prytherch	Headteacher
Emma Britany	Parent Governor
Jennifer Morgan	Parent Governor
Vacant	Parent Governor
Vacant	Local Authority Governor
Ceri Landers	Local Authority Governor
Vacant	Local Authority Governor
Elin Derrick	Community Governor
Erin Ynyr	Community Governor
Neil Cole	Community Governor
Alex Lewis	Teacher
Laura Casey	Teacher
Gareth Roberts	Staff
Eve Smith	Clerk



School Council Members in the Cardiff Youth Senedd

STAFFING STRUCTURE 2022–23

Leadership Team		
Headteacher		Carys Prytherch
Deputy Headteacher; KS2 Leader CA2		Alex Lewis;
FPh Leader		Fran Davies
ALNCo		Laura Casey
Athrawon		
Yr 6:	Sycamorwydden	Sara Edwards
Yr 5/6:	Castanwydden	Sara Cotton
Yr 5/6	Masarnen	Elin Jones 0.6; Alex Lewis 0.4
Yr 4	Collen	Manon Davies
Yr 3	Gwernen	Emyr John
Yr 3	Helygen	Nia Norman
Yr 2	Onnen	Claire Tynan
Yr 1	Bedwen	Becky McConnell
Yr R/1	Ywen	Aimee Meyer
Reception	Derwen	Fran Davies (Arweinydd CS)
Y Cwtch		Jess Murphy 0.4; Alun Evans 0.4; Gareth Roberts 0.2
Dosbarth Enfys		Jess Murphy 0.4
PPA		Non Rivers 0.7; Alun Evans 0.5
Teaching Assistants		
Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA)		Jess Murphy
Teaching Assistants		Gareth Roberts Carly Bishop Jess Jekeb Cerys Isaacs Hayley Rees Lauren Williams Katie Sheehan Jade James Catrin Kemp
Admin officers		Natalie Owen Kelly Page
Caretaker		Ron Burford
Cook		Jan Ashdown
Midday Lunch Supervisors		Jane Sully Rita Hinchey Sarah Davison (0.6) Katie Jones (0.6) Natasha Hill (0.8)



SCHOOL DAY TIMETABLE AND TERM DATES

08.10	Breakfast club
08:40	School opens for pupils
08.55	School begins
10.00 – 10.20	Reception 1 & 2 breaktime
10.20 – 10.40	Yr 3 & 4 breaktime
10:40 – 11:00	Yr 5 & 6 breaktime
11.45 – 12.45	Reception, 1, 2, 3 & 4 Lunchtime
12.15 – 1.15	Yr 5 & 6 lunchtime
1.45 – 2.00	Yr 3 & 4 breaktime
2:00 – 2:15	Reception, 1 & 2 breaktime
3:10	End of school day

TERM DATES 2022–23

Term	Start	Half Term		End of Term	Number of days
		Start	End		
Hydref	05.09.22	25.10.22	31.10.22	23.12.22	75
Gwanwyn	09.01.23	20.02.23	24.02.23	31.03.23	55
Haf	17.04.23	29.05.23	02.06.23	24.07.23	65
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PUPILS INFORMATION for 2022–23

- Number of pupils on roll = 247
- Number of pupils eligible for free school meals = 108 (44%)
- Number of pupils with statements/UDP = 6 statements; 13 IDPs
- Number of pupils with special educational needs but no statement = 15
- The number of permanent exclusions in the 2022–2023 school year = 0
- The number of specific term exclusions in the school year 20212–202 = 86 (43 days)

HWERE DID OUR YEAR 6 PUPILS GO NEXT?

SCHOOL	NUMBER
Ysgol Plasmawr	37
Whitchurch High School	1
Ysgol Bro Morgannwg	1

ATTENDANCE 2022 – 2023

Average attendance for the year was 88.5%.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Pirorities	
<p>Priority 1: Curriculum for Wales</p> <p>Develop an exciting and stimulating Curriculum that offers a wide range of opportunities and experiences, including developing the School's provision in the Expressive Arts.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Join the Plasmawr cluster Curriculum Project and attend fortnightly meetings. • Plan a Curriculum that is true to the principles of our school Curriculum. • Introduce learning through inquiry and introduce changes to the mid-term planning.
<p>Priority 2: Respect, preparedness, belonging:</p> <p>Improve the school as a learning environment, influencing the pupils' willingness to learn and improving their respect for property and others.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reshape the school's Values and Vision, working with the cluster schools and Ysgol Plasmawr. • Continue to embed the Four Purposes in the everyday life of the school. • School Council to lead on gathering opinions about the school's new logo. • Questionnaire to pupils, parents and Governors to collect opinions about the ethos of the school
<p>Priority 3: Welshness</p> <p>Increase the pupils' use of the Welsh language beyond the classroom, working towards the Language Charter's Gold Award.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involve the pupils in the process of forming our Values as a school community. • Ensure that the school's themes include references to Welshness and Wales. • Continuine to offer experiences that promote Welshness through the work of the Dragons' Language Charter.
<p>Priority 4: Implementation of the ALN Act</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pupils in Years 1, 3 and 5 to transfer to Individual Development Plans. • Track the progress of pupils who are on the ALN register and on the monitoring list in meetings every half term with the class teachers. • Develop the staff's understanding of the ALN act and increase confidence when holding person centred meetings.



CURRICULUM

At Ysgol Gymraeg Coed-Y-Gof, we intend to provide a curriculum that:

- offers a safe and caring learning environment based on trust between pupils, parents and school staff to ensure that our pupils experience a consistent and caring atmosphere.
- Offers new life experiences, within and beyond the classroom, so that our pupils reach secondary school having gone through the same type of experiences as the rest of the cluster.
- build our pupils' self-belief and ambition so that they realize that all doors are open to them, whatever their personal ambitions or aspirations
- is inclusive to ensure that every single pupil has full access to a curriculum that is accessible and suitable for them, and that they are given the challenge and support necessary to reach their full potential
- celebrates the cultural, ethnic and religious diversity in modern Wales including the history of Cardiff and local events.
- promotes the history, culture and heritage of Wales including the advantages of the Welsh language when prioritizing the language in the school, and providing Welsh experiences beyond the classroom.
- ensure that parents play a full role in their children's school lives by offering an "open-door" policy as well as offering off-site school activities, in locations in the heart of the community.



SCHOOL POLICIES

School policies are constantly reviewed and updated in accordance with the requirements of the Welsh Government, the education authority of Cardiff Vale of Glamorgan County Council and the Central South Consortium. The current policies are on the school's website, ysgolcoedygof.com.

ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS

The Additional Learning Needs Coordinator (ALNCo), Mrs Casey, ensures that each child's specific requirements are met. Learning Support Assistants also work with children of all abilities under the guidance of the class teacher and ALNCo. Elin Derrick is the governor who has responsibility for the area and meets Mrs Casey regularly to discuss pupils' progress and ensure that standards are maintained. The school works with the County's special teachers to offer standard provision for all pupils:

AT THE END OF THE SUMMER TERM 2023

26 pupils on the ALN register (10%)

- Statements: 15

- School implementation and more: 8
- New IDP: 2
- IDP transferred from SA+: 2

INTERVENTIONS

Yr 3 – 6

- Mathematics: Maths Factor
- Welsh literacy: Intensive reading
- English Literacy: Rainbow Reading, Nessy
- Language and speech comprehension: Junior Language Link, Speech Link
- Emotional literacy: ELSA, Talkabout (Social Skills), Lego Therapy, Jelly Beans
- Large and small motor skills: Handwriting Motorway

Reception, 1 and 2:

- Literacy: Intensive Reading, Trick & Click
 - Language and speech: Speech Link, Language Link
 - Emotional literacy: ELSA, Talkabout (Social Skills)
 - Large and small motor skills: Handwriting Motorway
- Timoedd arbenigol sy'n cefnogi'r disgyblion yn yr ysgol:

Team	Number
Speech, language and communication	7
Literacy and numeracy	7
Autism support	7
Emotionall Health and well-being	14
Visual impairment	0
Hearing Impairment	0
LACE (Looked after Children in Education)	5



EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Several clubs were held in school during the year:

- Multi-sports run by the Urdd (yrs 3 – 6)
- Fun and games club (Yr 1 & 2)
- Football club (Yr 5 & 6)
- Rugby club (Yr 5 & 6)
- Netball club (Yr 5 & 6)
- Pokemon club (Yrs 3&4, Yr 5&6) Lunch time
- Coding club (Yr 3 & 4) lunch time



SCHOOL COUNCIL AND THE DRAGONS

Coed-y-Gof School Council is a community of children who are elected by their peers at the beginning of each year. The main aim of the council is to come together to offer a voice to every child in the school. Each class from Year 1 to Year 6 will elect one member, with Year 6 members taking responsibility for chairing. At the beginning of the year, the council members will decide on open-ended targets and through discussions between the council members and their classes, steps will be taken to achieve targets that are sure to improve the school life of our pupils. The Council was coordinated by Mrs Elin Jones.

LEARNER VOICE

In addition to the forum through its class representative on the school council, the learners influence the content of the curriculum by fully participating in the thematic planning at the beginning of each Term. This gives the pupils a sense of respect and ownership as they follow a learning path that they have drawn up themselves.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The safety and well-being of our pupils is more important than any other consideration. The Headteacher or a member of the Leadership Team is on duty every morning and afternoon to ensure the safety of the pupils.

Staff are on duty at 8:40am with the external doors and gates closing at 8:55am. Anyone arriving at school after this time must go to reception to register. Staff duty periods follow a similar pattern during the day when supervising the hall and yard during break times. A designated member of staff with a First Aid qualification will be available for each break time.

ACTIVITIES AND VISITORS DURING THE YEAR

05.09.23	INSET Day
13.09.23	Reception class health screening – School nurse service
21–23.9.23	Yr 5 Residential trip to Aberiddi
26–30.09.23	Yr6 Cluster residential trip to Llangrannog
03.10.23	Flu immunisations Reception – bl 6
04&05.10.23	Audiology yr 1–3
04.10.23	Governing Body Meeting
05.10.23	Improvement Partner visit, Carys Amos
05.10.23	Meet the teacher
07.10.23	INSET – National Education Show
11.10.23	Individual and family photographs
19.10.23	School Ambassadors meet the Children's Commissioner
31.10–03.11.23	Clwb Bwrlwm taking place in school during the half-term holiday
07.11.23	Yr 3 Brass workshop by Cardiff University students
08.11.23	Boys football tournament
10.11.23	Yr 6 pupils taking part in the memorial service at Cardiff West Cemetery
17.11.23	Scholastic Bookfair held in school
17.11.23	Fire Service visit to YRs 2 & 5
18.11.23	Children in Need
19.11.23	School choir singing at the Christmas Lights event, Llandaff
22.11.23	Girls football tournament
22.11.23	Yr 6 Crucial Crew
06.12.23	Governing Body Meeting
08.12.23	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day – fundraising
08.12.23	Cardiff Youth Senedd – 2 representatives attended
13.12.23	Reception class Christmas show
14.12.23	Yr 1 & 2 Christmas Show
15.12.23	Yr 6 trip to Winter Wonderland – Ice Skating
16.12.23	Yr 3 & 4 The Brothers Grimm show, Sherman Theatre
19.12.23	Reception, Yr 1 & 2 trip to see Father Christmas, Cefn Mably Farm.
20.12.23	Christmas Service Yr 3– 6 Church of the Resurrection, Ely
22.12.23	School Christmas Dinner
09.01.23	INSET
03.02.23	Blodeuwedd Show by 'Mewn Cymeriad' Yrs 5 & 6
06.02.23	Yr 1 & 2 trip to St Fagan Museum
07.02.23	Fluoride varnish Reception – Yr 2
15.02.23	Finance sub-committee meeting
16.02.23	Urdd mixed football tournament
28.02.23	Governing Body meeting
01.03.23	School Eisteddfod
03.03.23	World Book Day
08.03.23	Artist D Omingue – workshop with yrs 5 & 6
11.03.23	Urdd West Cardiff Eisteddfod
14.03.23	Yrs. 5 & 6 Cardiff Devils Ice Hockey workshop
20.03.23	Yrs 1 & 2 trip to Cardiff Castle
21.03.23	Y Cwtch trip to St Fagans museum
22.03.23	Eisteddfod Dawns Yr Urdd
27.03.23	Urdd mixed rugby tournament
28.03.23	Governing Body Meeting
30.03.23	Cardiff Youth Senedd, Siambr Hywel, Y Senedd
17.04.23	INSET



17.04.23	Finance sub-committee
18.04.23	Parents' information evening re: Llangrannog and Abereiddi trips
24.04.23	PC Mirain Davies – workshops for Yr 1: Keeping safe and Yr2: Behaviour – right or wrong?
24.04.23	Governing Body meeting
25&26.04.23	Parents' evenings
27.04.23	Yr 3 trip to St Fagan (Arts Council of Wales project)
05.05.23	PC Mirain Davies – workshops with Yl 3: Internet safety and Yr 4: safety and misuse
05.05.23	Yrs 5 & 6 rugby festival, Pentyrch rugby club
09.05.23	Dŵr Cymru workshop – the Water cycle, for Yrs 2,3,4.
11.05.23	Yr 3 trip to St Fagan (Arts Council of Wales project)
19.05.23	Gwernen class assembly for parents
24.04.23	PC Mirain Davies – workshops for Yr 5: Drugs – your choice; Yr 6 Safe relationships – your right to be safe
26.05.23	Onnen class assembly for parents
08.06.23	Reception children health screening – school nurse service
09.06.23	Yr 6 football tournament, UWIC
09.06.23	Yr 5 assembly for parents
12.06.23	Yrs. 2,3,4 trip to Southerndown beach
14.06.23	Collen class assembly for parents
15.06.23	Yr 5 & 6 rugby tournament, Cardiff Arms Park
15.06.23	Class and team photos
16.06.23	Bedwen class assembly for parents
16.06.23	Yr 4 Cricket tournament, Pontcanna fields
21.06.23	Girls football tournament, Ocean Park
21.06.23	Evening trip to watch the T20 Glamorgan cricket game
22.06.23	Plasmawr transition day for yr 6
23.06.23	Helygen class assembly for parents
25.06–01.07	Visitors from Lesotho here – staff and pupils
27.06.23	Plasmawr transition plus
27.06.23	Ywen class assembly for parents
28.06.23	Cluster INSET
29.06.23	Cluster assembly for Lesotho visitors
30.06.23	Celebration Ceremony for Lesotho visitors, Temple of Peace
04.07.23	Plasmawr transition day for Yr 6
05.07.23	Yr 6 pupils filming with Boom Cymru
06.07.23	Sports day YRs 3 – 6
07.07.23	Derwen class assembly for parents
17.07.23	Reception – Yr 2 sports day
10.07.23	Finance Sub-committee
12.07.23	New pupils transition day
13.07.23	Cluster STEM day for yr 6 pupils, Gwaelod-y-Garth School
14.07.23	Year 6 leavers' assembly
17.07.23	Yrs 3 –6 trip to Barry Island
18.07.23	Reception – Yr 2 trip to Parc Play
20.07.23	Yr 6 Leavers' trip to the Aqua Park

CARDIFF COUNCIL/GYNGOR CAERDYDD				
SCHOOLS OUTTURN OF EXPENDITURE/CANLYNIAD GWARIANT YSGOLION 2022-2023				
Governing Body/Corff Llywodraethu of:		Ysgol Gymraeg Coed-y-Gof		
	Governor Approved Budget/Cyllideb a Gymeradwywyd gan y Llywodraethwyr		Actual Expenditure/Gwariant Cyflawnedig	
	£	£	£	£
Staffing costs/Costau Staff				
Teaching Costs/Costau Addysgu	713,787		736,777	
Special Needs Teachers/Athrawon Anghenion Arbennig	22,314		36,817	
Teachers for statemented pupils/Athrawon ar gyfer disgyblion sy'n destun datganiad	55,520		56,194	
Short Term Supply/Llanw Byr Dymor	3,000		0	
Long Term Supply/Llanw Hir Dymor	32,199		78,210	
Special Needs Support Staff/Staff Cymorth Anghenion Arbennig	0		0	
Nursery Assts/ Teachers Aides / Adult Helpers/Cynorthwyyr Meithrinfa/ Cymhorthion Athrawon / Cynorthwyyr	297,516		301,049	
Foreign Language Assistants/Cynorthwyyr Ieithoedd Tramor	0		0	
Technicians/Technegwyr	0		0	
Mid Day Supervisors/Gorychwylywyr Canol Dydd	14,530		14,937	
Library Staff / Attend Officer/Staff Llyfrgell / Swyddog Presenoldeb	0		0	
Administrative Staff/Staff Gweinyddol	54,367		57,098	
Non teaching supply costs/Costau llanw staff heb fod yn athrawon	0		0	
Training Costs/Costau hyfforddi	24,705		19,358	
Other Staff Costs/Costau staff eraill	65,125		106,806	
Performance Management/Rheoli Perfformiad	5,272		7,346	
Total Staffing Costs/Cyfanswm Costau Staff		1,288,335		1,414,592
Premises Related Costs/Costau Eiddo				
Caretaking Staff/Staff Gofalwyr	14,701		17,042	
Domestic Staff/Staff Domestig	12,566		13,645	
Grounds Staff/Staff y Tir	2,710		2,629	
Cleaning Costs/Costau Glanhau	39,965		37,949	
Energy Costs/Costau Ynni	25,300		21,239	
Rates/Cyfraddau	20,598		20,598	
Repairs and Maintenance/Atgyweiriau a Chynhaliaeth	82,335		91,124	
Water/Dŵr	8,000		4,842	
Total Premises Related Costs/Cyfanswm Costau Eiddo		206,175		209,068
Transport Costs/Costau Cludiant				
Pupil Transport Costs/Costau Cludiant Disgyblion	1,030		731	
Staff Transport Costs/Costau Cludiant Staff	200		226	
Vehicle Costs/Costau Cerbydau	0		33	
Total Transport Costs/Cyfanswm Costau Cludiant		1,230		989
Supplies and Services/Cyflenwadau a Gwasanaethau				
Teaching Materials/Adnoddau Addysgu	20,000		26,464	
Equipment, Furniture, Materials & music tuition/Offer, Dodrefn, Deunyddiau a hyfforddiant cerddoriaeth	5,981		831	

Library Books & Materials/Llyfrau a Deunyddiau Llyfrgell	0		0	
Catering Costs/Costau Arlwyo	6,000		8,821	
Unallocated / Savings to be found/Arian heb ei ddosbarthu / Cynilion	172,258		0	
Communications Equipment and Services/Offer a Gwasanaethau Cyfathrebu	9,810		7,822	
Consultants Fees/Ffioedd Ymgynghorwyr	0		0	
Examinations Fees/Ffioedd Arholiadau	0		0	
Games & School Activities/Gemau a Gweithgareddau Ysgol	16,000		1,877	
Clerk to Governing Body/Clerc y Corff Llywodraethu	1,100		938	
Other office costs/Costau swyddfa eraill	2,180		1,802	
Printing & Stationery/Argraffu a Deunydd Ysgrifennu	6,000		5,570	
Pupil Exclusions/Gwaharddiadau Disgyblion	0		0	
Subsistence and expenses/Cynhaliaeth a threuliau	0		0	
Total Supplies and Services/Cyfanswm Cyflenwadau a Gwasanaethau		239,329		54,124
Central Services/Gwasanaethau Canolog				
School Meals/Prydau Ysgol	0		0	
Service Level Agreements/Trefniadau Lefel Gwasanaeth	15,616		14,941	
Total for Central Services/Cyfanswm ar gyfer Gwasanaethau Canolog		15,616		14,941

