Ysgod Soor Tomy

School Prospectus 2023 - 2024



Welcome to Ysgol Tanyfron



We warmly welcome you and your child to Ysgol Tanyfron C.P. This prospectus will give you an insight into our school and perhaps answer some of your questions. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require further information.

Dear Parents,

Choosing the right school for your child is vitally important, as not only do we all want our children to have a good education, but we want them to feel happy and safe in a secure and welcoming environment. I am incredibly proud to be the headteacher of Ysgol Tanyfron, where the happiness and wellbeing of each and every child is at the heart of what we do, and where our pupils grow and prosper to meet their full potential.

At Ysgol Tanyfron, we strive to grow our pupils into the best version of themselves by providing a broad and balanced curriculum design which fully encompasses the four purposes of the Welsh curriculum. We offer high standards of teaching and learning which is a credit to the hard work that both staff and pupils put in on a daily basis. Our belief is that education is a learning journey and that our role and moral purpose in school is to ensure that we provide all the possible vehicles to take our pupils along this learning journey of a lifetime.

As a school we place great value in our school community and the relationships we build with all within it. For everyone at Ysgol Tanyfron, each and every child is unique and that is something to be fostered. Our aim is to work with you as parents to ensure that this happens every single day of your child's educational journey. We look forward to working in partnership with our families for many years to come to achieve the very best for every child who becomes part of our Ysgol Tanyfron family.

Kind regards,

Mrs J. Jones



An introduction to Our School



Ysgol Tanyfron is a community primary school in Wrexham. Currently, the school has 130 pupils, including 12 in the nursery who attend on a part-time basis. We have five mixed-age classes. Most pupils live locally and around 15% of pupils are eligible for free school meals. The percentage of pupils with Additional Learning Needs is around 5%.

Outdoor learning is a central part of out learning environment at Ysgol Tanyfron. We are very fortunate to have a wonderful forest school and large outdoor provisions without our Foundation Phase. We utilise the local surrounding areas and endeavour to give our learners enriched opportunities to develop their skills through these local environments.

There is a range of information about school on our school website. Please scan the QR code to access the website. We also share a range of news and update via the following social media:



Ysgol Tanyfron



Our school's Vision and Values

'Growing our pupils into the best version of themselves.'

At Ysgol Tanyfron we want out learners and staff to become the best possible version of themselves that they can be. On building our vision and values we worked closely with pupils, staff, parents and governors to identify the five core values we want our children to have. These are the foundation for our curriculum design.

| <u>Our Values</u> | <u>Our Behaviours</u> |
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| Respectful | At Ysgol Tanyfron we treat others how we would like to be treated. We appreciate their thoughts, feelings and opinions. We are courteous, kind, caring and helpful individuals. |
| Curious | Our learners want to learn and are interested in broadening their knowledge, skills and experiences. The lead the learning that happens in school and will become lifelong learners. |
| Ambitious | We encourage our learners to be passionate, strive to do the best that they can and to be willing to take managed risks. We develop individuals who display perseverance, resilience and look to the future. |
| Confident | At Ysgol Tanyfron we have a 'can do' attitude and believe that we can all become the best version of ourselves. We promote independence and the confidence to have a go at new things. |
| Нарру | We promote individuals who are happy and content in themselves. We place wellbeing at the heart of what we do and believe that every individual should have something to smile about daily. |



Our school's Organisation

School Background

Ysgol Tanyfron is a Community Primary School, which first opened its doors in this building in 1875. Pupils are educated primarily through the medium of English with Welsh being taught as a second language and promoted to be used as often as possible.

Ysgol Tanyfron has seen steady growth in its number on roll as a result of positive teaching, parental relationships and recent local housing developments. As a result of this progress the governing body adopted the local community centre from September 2015. The former community centre is home to our Early Years provision, school hall/gymnasium and wellbeing areas.

School Structure

| Acoms | Seedlings | | Oaks | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Nursery/Rec | Year 1 | Year 2/3 | Year 4/5 | Year 5/6 | PPA Cover Across the School |
| Miss Caitlin Ion | Mrs Tara Humberstone | Mrs, Joanne Evans-Jones | Miss Mia Gabriel | Miss Steph Burgin | Miss Carly Harris |
| Mrs Wendy Pritchard Mrs Karen Edwards | Miss Carol Lewis Miss Mollie Platt | Miss Cara Reese | Mrs Hannah Hughes | Miss Lisa Edwards | |



Our school's Organisation

School Timings

| Acoms | | | | | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| 8.55am – 10.15am | 10.15am – 10.30am | 10.30am – 11.45am | 11.45am – 12.30pm | 12.30pm – 1.45pm | 1.45pm – 2pm | 2pm – 3pm |
| Morning Session 1 | Break time | Morning Session 2 | Lunchtime | Afternoon Session 1 | Break time | Afternoon Session 2 |

| Seedlings | | | | | |
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| 8.55am – 10.15am | 10.15am – 10.30am | 10.30am – 11.50am | 11.50am – 12.40pm | 12.40pm – 2.30pm | 2.30pm – 2.50pm |
| Morning Session 1 | Break time | Morning Session 2 | Lunchtime | Afternoon Session 1 | Service |

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The school gates open at 8:45am and school starts at 8:55am

School Term Dates

To access details of the term dates for school, please follow this link: <u>https://www.wrexham.gov.uk/assets/pdfs/education/term_dates/termdates.pdf</u>

Alternatively, you may scan the following QR on the right-hand side of this page.





Our school's Curriculum

The New Curriculum for Wales

Our curriculum is at the heart of what we do. It offers a broad and balanced context in which to develop the four purposes in all our learners, regardless of age or ability. It provides for appropriate progression for all learners and includes a range of provision to ensure this. The four key purposes of the curriculum are:

- Ambitious, Capable Learners who are ready to learn throughout their lives.
- Enterprising, Creative Contributors who are ready to play a full part in life and work.
- Ethical, Informed Citizens who are ready to be citizens of Wales and the world.
- Healthy, Confident Individuals who are ready to live fulfilling lives as valued members of society.

Within our curriculum teachers will be the facilitators of learning which is led by our pupils. We will provide engaging, experiential learning experiences which maximise the use of real life contexts and outdoor learning. Our aim is to produce highly quality teaching experiences which excite and motivate our learners in and out of the classroom.

Our curriculum contains the 6 Areas of Learning and Experience:

- Languages, Literacy and Communication
- Mathematical Development
- Science and Technology
- Humanities
- Health and Wellbeing
- Expressive Arts

Please scan the QR code to find our Curriculum Rationale.





Our school's Curriculum

Religion, Values and Ethics

This is a mandatory element of the curriculum and is taught in an objective and factual way. The ethos of the school rests on Christian values and worship is conducted through a broadly Christian theme. Other religions are studied as part of the R.V.E. curriculum and we regularly plan whole school learning such as 'Diwali Week'. Our local Reverend visits the school regularly and some of the church festivals are conducted by the pupils in All Saints Church Southsea.

Collective Worship

Collective Worship takes place in school daily alongside the celebration of the main Christian Festivals. Parents/carers who wish to withdraw their children from Collective Worship should inform the Headteacher in writing.

Relationships and Sexuality Education

This is another mandatory element of the curriculum and the schools programme of relationship and sex education, as agreed by the Governing Body, is linked with other areas of the Curriculum for Wales. Parents may view the policy to inform them of the approaches and subject matter addressed in each class.

Policies relating to religious education, sex education and any curriculum complaints are available on our school website.

Welsh Language

At Ysgol Tanyfron we teach predominantly through the medium of English but with significant use of the Welsh language. The home language of nearly all pupils is English.

Learners celebrate the Welsh language, culture and heritage throughout their work. We ensure we incorporate the principles of the Siarter Iaith into all aspects of our curriculum. During their time in school, learners have opportunities to attend residential trips to Glanlyn and Nant Bwlch yr Haearn.



Assessment and Inclusion

Assessment

Formative (ongoing) Assessment is used continually to help plan relevant and meaningful learning activities for the pupils. Periodically, –usually termly– the school will assess the individual progress and each of every child to inform next steps and appropriate support.

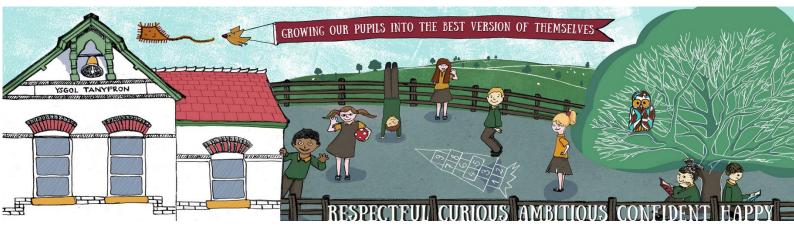
Additional Learning Needs

In September 2021 the Additional Learning Needs (ALN) Act was implemented. The act sets out the new statutory support system in Wales for children and young people with special needs. The term ALN replaces 'special educational needs' (SEN) and 'learning difficulties and/or disabilities' (LDD), covering all children and young people with additional needs. A key element of the ALN Act is the provision of an Individual Development Plan (IDP) for every child who has ALN, regardless of the severity. The ALN Act aims to help children and young people with ALN overcome barriers to learning and reach their full potential.

We are proud to be an inclusive school that values each and every child and aims to ensure that they have the support and opportunities to realise and meet their potential. The Additional Learning Needs Coordinator implements the school Additional Learning Needs Policy (available from the school office or website). Their work entails:

- Reviewing the progress of pupils and identifying those who would benefit from additional support as part of the 'Universal Offer' of the school.
- Working to develop 'Person Centred Practice' to ensure that the pupil is at the heart of planning any additional support they may require.
- Coordinating the work of Teaching Assistants who provide additional interventions to individuals and groups and monitoring the effectiveness of these.
- Planning Annual Reviews for pupils who have Statements of Special Educational Needs/Individual Development Plans and working with colleagues in the Inclusion Service to seek further guidance and assessment where required.
- Quality Assurance of Individual Development Plans and ensuring that these focus on personcentred outcomes.

We value the diversity of all members of our school community and actively seek to provide the best for all pupils; through a person-centred approach.



School Procedures

Home School Agreement

A Home School Agreement has been developed to show expectations of the school, parents/carers and pupils as they move through school. This agreement is reviewed annually and parents/carers and pupils' views are sought when reviewing this.

School Meals

School Meals are cooked on the premises and served in the main school hall. Pupils have a variety of meals to choose from each day, School meals are free for every child N-Y6 and can be ordered through ParentPay. Children are also allowed to bring a packed lunch. The children are supervised during lunchtime by school members of staff.

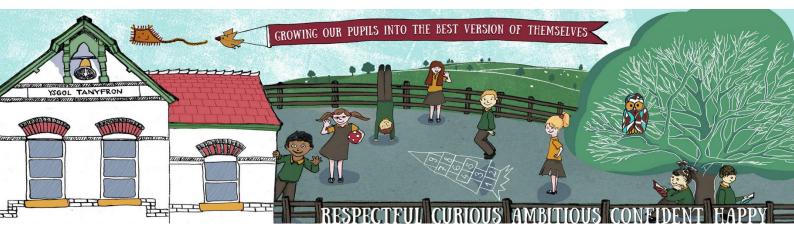
Additional Free School Meal Support

Children whose parents receive the following support payments are entitled to receive 'Free School Meals' support in maintained schools in Wales:

- Income Support (IS)*
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)*
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Income-related Employment Support Allowance (IR)
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit with an annual total income below the HMRC set limit
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying fo
- Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit.

Online Payments

To enable parents to easily access and keep up to date with payments we use an online system called 'ParentPay' for payment of all items including: breakfast club, snack money, book bags, swimming lessons, trips and additional options can be added when needed. Wrexham County Borough Council have introduced this system for the mutual benefit of both school/parents and is school's preferred method of payment. All parents are issued with a unique payment reference no. for each child once they are on-roll at Ysgol Tanyfron. Further details and instructions on how to use the system can be found on the School website.



School Procedures

Reporting to Parents/Carers

A 'Parents' Evening' is held in the Autumn Term for all classes when parents are invited into school to receive information about school life. Parents' evenings are also held during the Spring Term when parents are invited to discuss their child's work and progress with the teacher. A formal report of your child's overall progress is sent to you at the end of each school year with opportunity to attend a third Parents' Evening to discuss this. Parents are welcome to request a meeting with their child's class teacher at any time during the school year through contacting the school office.

School Security and Health and Safety

The school has extensive grounds which have a secure boundary throughout. Access to school is via al locked gated system and secured entrance. Robust signing in processes are in place to ensure the safety of your children. The site is maintained by the LA Facilities Management team and regular monitoring and site checks are carried out by the Headteacher, caretaker and nominated Health and Safety Governor.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is held each morning in the school hall and all pupils are very welcome to attend. Breakfast club runs between 8:00 a.m. and the start of the school day. Bookings into Breakfast Club must be made via ParentPay.

Wrap Around Care

All wrap around care is provided by Dragons Daycare. Further information can be found via the school website.



Pupil Wellbeing

Attendance and Punctuality

The school has high expectations regarding both attendance and punctuality, both of which are critical to success in school. If your child is absent, we ask that you contact the school office at the school opportunity to inform us. We follow the Local Authority Attendance Policy, which is available on request from the school office.

Equal Opportunities

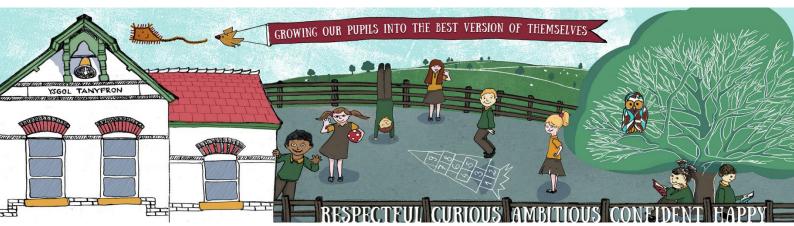
The school has adopted the Local Authority's Equal Opportunities policy and plan. The school always endeavours to uphold it with opportunities being the same for all who attend. The school has an accessibility plan which identifies facilities for pupils with physical disabilities. The school's ethos of inclusion is shared by all staff and pupils and is actively promoted through the school's values. Admission for pupils with disabilities should be sought via the Local Authority Admissions and Inclusion teams respectively.

Sports and Extra-Curricular Clubs

Our school has lovely grounds and we have a large playing field and a multi-use games equipment. There are a wide range of sports activities undertaken during the year both as part of the curriculum and extra-curricular clubs including netball, football, tennis, gymnastics, cricket and rugby. Children also have the opportunity to represent the school in swimming and football. Swimming lessons are given to pupils from Year 2 and are taken at Gwyn Evans.

Parents, Friends and Teachers Association (PTFA)

Ysgol Tanyfron has an active and invaluable PTFA that organises successful and fun events for pupils, parents and community members with the aim of raising valuable funds to support our children's learning within school. These have included Christmas fair, Easter Bingo and sports day refreshments. Parents/friends can contribute as much as they are able and any help/input is appreciated and is invaluable for continued success.



School Policies

Complaints Procedure

Should parents/carers have any reason to complain about any aspects of school then the school complaints procedure is available from the school office as well as on the school website. We do hope, however, that any problems can be resolved by following the below process:

Stages

- 1. Contact class teacher with concern. If not resolved;
- 2. Contact Headteacher. If not resolved;
- 3. Write to the Headteacher. If not resolved;
- 4. Write to Chair of Governors.

If a parent/carer feels that the school has not followed its complaints procedure, they can contact the Local Authority for further advice. The School Complaints Procedure is available on the school website or on request from the school office.

Safeguarding & Child Protection

The School follows the All Wales Child Protection Procedures 2008. The following points are very important:

- The welfare of your child is paramount.
- We will make every effort to ensure that children without exception have the right to protection from abuse regardless of gender, ethnicity, disability, sexuality or beliefs.
- All concerns, and allegations of abuse will be taken seriously by staff and everyone associated with Ysgol Tanyfron and responded to appropriately – this may require a referral to children's services and in emergencies, the Police.
- We have a commitment to safe recruitment, selection and vetting; all staff and governors in school have been DBS-checked and all volunteers will be DBS-checked prior to starting their time with us.
- We will refer to all associated policies and procedures which promote children's safety and welfare e.g. with regards to health and safety, anti-bullying, protection of children online and photographs.

The Headteacher is the Designated Child Protection and Safeguarding Officer.

Should you require further information, the Child Protection and Safeguarding Policies are available from the school office, or on the school website.



School Policies

Charging and Remissions

No charge is made to parents for any education provided wholly or mainly during school hours, admission to school for children of compulsory school age, activities which are part of the Curriculum, or are part of a prescribed examination syllabus, or part of Religious Education, the supply of any materials, books and instruments or other equipment, transport to school. Parents can make voluntary contributions for educational and residential trips and musical tuition to enhance the curriculum.

School Uniform

We encourage pupils at Ysgol Tanyfron to wear their uniform with pride as it demonstrates that they are part of the school community. We have high expectations from our pupils with regards to school uniform and appearance, and strongly believe that our high standards promote positive behaviour, equality, supports effective teaching and learning and contributes to the ethos of the school. We offer a dedicated uniform supplier but also provide recycled uniform and permit non-branded uniform options to ensure that our requirements are equitable and inclusive.

SCHOOL UNIFORM:

- Dark green sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo
- Yellow polo shirt with school logo
- Polo shirts/ sweatshirts without Logos are permitted
- Grey or black trousers/skirt
- Green and white gingham summer dress/grey or black shorts
- Sensible, black flat shoes (high heels not permitted)

PE KIT:

- Trainers / plimsolls
- Yellow, round neck T-shirt with or without school logo
- Black shorts
- Black or blue tracksuit/joggers for outdoor games in cold weather



School's

Governing Body

The Role of the Governing Body

The Governing Body has a substantial range of responsibilities.

Our Governing Body:

- Supports the school staff in deciding what is taught.
- Setting standards and policies relating to behaviour and inclusion.
- Interviewing and selecting staff.
- Determining how the school budget is set.

Our Governors

| Chair of Governors | Mr Simon Wynne (Mr Wynne can be contacted care of the school) | | | |
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| Vice Chair of Governors | Mr Kevin Sutton | | | |
| | Mrs Claire Whitley | | | |
| | Mrs Amanda Piney | | | |
| Parent Governors | Mrs Sarah Hannaby | | | |
| | Vacancy | | | |
| | Mr Kevin Sutton | | | |
| Community Governor | Mrs Hayley Morgan | | | |
| | Vacancy | | | |
| Additional Community Governor | Vacancy | | | |
| | Vacancy | | | |
| Local Authority Governors | Vacancy | | | |
| | Mr Simon Wynne | | | |
| Teacher Governor | Miss Carly Harris | | | |
| Non-Teacher Governor | Mrs Hannah Hughes | | | |
| Headteacher | Mrs Jenna Jones | | | |
| Clerk | Ms Alison Gillespie (WCBC) | | | |



Arranging Admissions

We welcome enquiries directly for admission to our school however the Local Education Authority is the admitting authority for all children in the County of Wrexham and applications will be considered by the Admissions Team. If you wish to visit the school please do not hesitate to contact us and we will be happy to share our lovely educational environment with you.

The Wrexham Local Authority Admission Policy can be viewed on our website for further details.

Deadlines for application at the age ranges below are published annually and can be obtained from the Wrexham LA admissions team.

Nursery

Children aged 3+ are admitted to our Nursery class in the September following their third birthday. We hope that by joining us in these formative years we lay good educational foundations. Welcoming parent meetings are held for new as well as current parents. We encourage parents to make an initial visit to the school in advance of your child's third birthday and place their name on our waiting list as this helps with forward planning.

If you are eligible to claim the Government's 30 hours Childcare Offer - 12.5 hours of the 30 form the

educational element of the offer accessed by Nursery in the school's Early Years class, the remaining hours can be used by way of childcare which is offered by Dragon's Daycare– our onsite childcare facility.

Reception

Each child about to commence full time education will be offered a place in a school maintained by the Local Authority. Children in our Nursery Class who live in our catchment area will be eligible to apply for a place in our Reception Class.

Admission for older classes can be arranged at any time via the Local Authority Admissions Team and parents are asked to consult the Headteacher.



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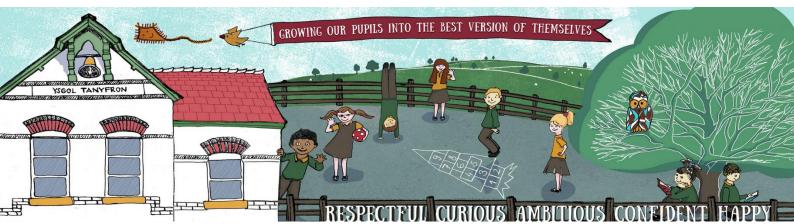
Early Entitlement – This is provided by Dragon's Daycare

Children are entitled to 10 hours of Early Education, the term following their third birthday. Early Education is available in the Spring and Summer terms only. If you are eligible to claim the Government's 30 hours Childcare Offer - 10 hours of the 30 form the educational element of the offer accessed by Early Entitlement in the school's Early Years class, the remaining hours can be used by way of childcare which is offered by Dragon's Daycare our onsite childcare facility.

Transition

Pupils joining our school will visit prior to their formal start to familiarise them with the campus, the staff and their peers. Should a structured transition plan be required, this will be developed in partnership with parents/carers and the Additional Learning Needs and Inclusion Coordinator.

Throughout Year 6, pupils will be prepared for the move up to their respective High Schools. Strong links exist between the school and high schools that pupils transfer to and we work hard to help develop confidence and reduce any anxiety around moving to high school.





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