

GOVERNORS ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS
2025-2026

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INFORMATION

The school is a designated Welsh medium primary school for pupils aged 3 to 11 years.

The number of pupils on roll at the end of the 2025/26 academic year was 173.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR OF THE GOVERNING BODY

It is a privilege to introduce this year's Annual Report following my first year as Chair of Governors at Ysgol Gymraeg Teilo Sant. Taking on this responsibility has given me an even greater appreciation of the dedication, care and hard work that underpin our school. I am grateful to my fellow governors, Mr Jones and the whole school team for their welcome and support throughout the year.

There is much to be proud of at Teilo Sant. Our school provides a community in which children can learn, grow in confidence and develop a strong sense of belonging, with the Welsh language and culture at its heart. The breadth of experiences reflected in this report demonstrates the commitment of our staff to helping every child discover their interests and fulfil their potential. The positive feedback from the interim inspection visit towards the end of the summer term was particularly welcome recognition of their work.

This has, however, been a challenging year financially. The difficult funding climate facing schools places considerable pressure on budgets, staffing and resources, and Teilo Sant is no exception. The deficit reported in these accounts is a matter we take seriously. As governors, our responsibility is to provide both support and constructive challenge, keeping the school's financial sustainability firmly in view while placing children's education, safety and wellbeing at the centre of our decisions. There are no easy answers, but we remain committed to working closely with the school's leadership to address these pressures thoughtfully and responsibly.

I would like to pay a special tribute to Mrs Roberts, who finished her time at the school during the year. On behalf of every member of the Governing Body, thank you for your wonderful service to Teilo Sant. Your dedication to the children, your care and your contribution to school life have been deeply valued. The influence of a committed teacher reaches far beyond the classroom, living on in the confidence, curiosity and memories of the children they have taught. Mrs Roberts leaves with our heartfelt gratitude and our very best wishes for the future. Diolch o galon am bopeth.

On behalf of all governors, I also extend our sincere thanks to Mr Jones, the leadership team and every member of staff. Your professionalism and willingness to go the extra mile make a daily difference to our children, particularly during such demanding times.

To our parents and carers, thank you for your continued trust and partnership. To the PTA, volunteers and wider community, thank you for the time, energy and generosity you give so freely. Your contribution enriches school life in ways that cannot be measured simply in financial terms.

I am also grateful to my fellow governors for their commitment, experience and thoughtful contribution throughout my first year as Chair. Above all, thank you to our pupils, whose enthusiasm, kindness and achievements give purpose to everything we do.

As we look ahead, our shared ambition remains clear: to ensure that Teilo Sant continues to be a welcoming, caring and inspiring Welsh-medium school where every child has the opportunity to flourish.

Will Lloyd Davies
Chair of Governors
Ysgol Gymraeg Teilo Sant

THE GOVERNING BODY

GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS (Correct at the beginning of the academic year)

Name	Status	End Date
Mr Will Lloyd Davies - Chair	Parent Governor	20/03/2027
Emyr Davies – Vice Chair	Local Authority Representative	31/03/2027
Mr Rob Walters	Community Representative	09/02/2030
Mrs Carys Davies	Parent Governor	23/05/2028
Mr Ioan Jones	Headteacher	permanent
Mrs Ann Jones	Local Authority Representative	18/07/2028
Dr S Rowlands	Parent Governor	20/02/2029
Ms Elinor McAvoy	Local Authority Representative	27/01/2030
Mrs Cassie Greville	Parent Governor	30/03/2029
Mrs Catrin Small	Community Representative	09/04/2023
Miss Rachel Adams	Parent Governor	02/02/2029
Mr Alex Cook	Community Representative	23/11/2029
Mr Llŷr Davies	Community Representative	28/06/2027
Mrs Carys Edwards	Parent Governor	02/12/2029
Cllr Sian Lewis	Additional Community Representative	16/06/2029
Mr Aled Prytherch	Teaching Staff	10/10/2028
Mrs Nia Brisco	Teaching Staff	20/12/2029
Ms Lowri Jones	Non-Teaching Staff	24/09/2027

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GOVERNING BODY CONSTITUTION

The School Governing Body has a cross section of the local community, and the Chair is elected at the beginning of each new academic year. The full Governing Body meets once a term and the Headteacher prepares detailed reports for discussion which include information on pupil progress, curriculum developments and staffing issues, etc. The Governing Body has two sub-committees which also meet on a termly or more frequent basis if required. These are:

- Finance and leadership sub-Committee (Chair: Mr Emyr Davies)
- Teaching and Learning sub-Committee (Chair: Mrs Carys Davies)

Members of the Governing Body are members of at least one of the above Sub-Committees in accordance with their experience and expertise.

GOVERNORS' COSTS

No Governor claimed any expenses in 2025/26.

PARENT GOVERNORS

When parent governors need to be elected, election forms are distributed to all parents in the school and where there is more than one nomination an election is held. Parents nominate and elect parent governors.

MEETINGS

An annual parents' meeting is no longer held, unless parents want to hold a meeting. There is a right to hold three meetings a year by presenting a petition with 10% of the parents of the

school signing the petition and stating why they want to hold a meeting. No meetings were held with parents under section 94 of the School Standards and Organization (Wales) Act 2013 during the period under review.

COMPLAINTS

The school has a complaints policy and operates in accordance with this policy. A copy of the policy can be obtained from the school.

POLICIES

Several policies were reviewed and updated by the governing body during the period under review and these can be found on the website and / or the school app. The office could be contacted for any other policies.

CONTACT

If you have any queries or comments that you would like to ask or share with the Governing Body, please feel free to write to the Chair by letter to the school office or email. We always welcome your contribution.

STAFF

(On 31/08/2026)

HEADTEACHER

Mr Ioan Jones

TEACHING STAFF

Mrs Maureen Williams (Assistant Headteacher)
Mr Aled Prytherch (member of the Senior Leadership Team and Additional Learning Needs Coordinator)
Mrs Siwan Roberts (Member of the Senior Leadership Team)
Mrs Elen Donath 0.8
Mrs Nia Brisco
Mrs Sara Jones 0.6
Mr Ryan John 0.6

TEACHING ASSISTANTS

Mrs Andrea Evans 0.4
Miss Emily Smith 0.6
Mrs Avril Desvaux de Merigny
Ms Amanda Jones 0.6
Mrs Heather Davies 0.9
Miss Lowri Jones
Mrs Meryl Thomas 0.9
Mrs Nerys Davies
Mrs Nerys Howell

PERIPATETIC TEACHERS

Mrs Angharad Morgan	(Strings)
Mr Andy Jackson	(Woodwind)
Mr Jonathon Morgan	(Vocal)
Mr Richard Walters	(Guitar)
Mr Chris Potter	(Brass)

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Miss Lisa Roberts

CLERK TO THE GOBERNING BODY

Mrs Lynwen Davies (Carmarthenshire Council)

CARETAKER

Mrs Manher Hwangbo

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISORS

Miss Samantha Dyer
Ms Emma Matthews
Teaching Assistants

2025/26 REPORT

LANGUAGE CATEGORY AND THE USE OF WELSH BY PUPILS

Teilo Sant is a Welsh school; Welsh is the day-to-day language of the school. The aim is to ensure that all pupils have a balanced bilingualism that is relevant to their age to enable them to be a full member of a bilingual society of which they are a part. Welsh is the natural language of the school, and school services and activities are conducted mainly in Welsh. The school communicates with parents in both languages.

PUPILS WITH ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS

Pupils with ALN receive support within the school from experienced assistants. The hours of support they receive vary according to their individual needs. An Individual Development Plan (IDP) is provided for all pupils on the additional learning needs register. IDP's are reviewed termly.

CHANGES TO THE PROSPECTUS

Changes to Staff, Governors, PTA are made as required.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

We follow strict security arrangements daily. We follow the local authority's guidance should any issues arise.

TOILET FACILITIES

There are toilets for every class. Soap and paper hand towels are provided. The toilets are cleaned daily.

HEALTHY EATING AND DRINKING

A water fountain is located near the staff room which allows pupils access to drinking water. The children are encouraged to eat healthily, and the school lunch menu is in accordance with the Local Authority's healthy eating provision. Children learn about the importance of being healthy as an integral part of the school curriculum.

CURRICULUM

As a school community we provide high-quality education ensuring rich educational experiences to develop the whole pupil. To do this we develop the four purposes at the heart of all school activity to give every child the opportunity to develop into:

- 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 lead fulfilling lives as valued members of society.

National literacy, numeracy and digital competence frameworks are used to develop learners' skills and develop their understanding and knowledge across the curriculum. This is done by following themes and including the voice of the pupils on the journey of planning for the six areas of learning and the experience of the new curriculum, namely:

- Language, Literacy and Communication
- Mathematics and Numeracy
- Science and Technology
- Health and Well Being
- Humanities
- Expressive Arts

We assess and track pupils progress in all aspects of their work and provide pupils with constructive feedback on their progress and give purposeful opportunities for them to respond to teachers' feedback to improve their work. Pupils at the school are taught each year according to their age.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

As a school we are involved in a process of constant self-evaluation in terms of evaluating what is working well and what needs developing. Following this process we work on a School Development Plan, a live document that is implemented permanently throughout the year. The document sets out where we are now, what needs to be developed and how we intend to develop a specific area. We then measure the impact.

2025/26 PRIORITIES

1. Further develop pupils' literacy skills across the school by developing a film and digital media approach in the Expressive Arts area of learning.
2. Strengthen higher order reading skills across the curriculum in order to develop understanding and reading abilities, supporting each pupil to flourish as an independent reader.
3. Empower pupils through outdoor experiences to embed the Four Purposes and promote physical literacy through play

2026/27 PRIORITIES

Priority 1: Develop a positive reading culture across the school, promoting enjoyment and confidence in reading among pupils. Strengthen parents' understanding of the importance of phonological awareness by providing guidance, resources and opportunities to support them in developing their children's reading skills.

Priority 2: To improve pupil engagement, motivation and self-regulation through the introduction of a structured woodwork provision, specifically targeting pupils who find it difficult to engage with classroom-based learning.

Priority 3: Deepen the development of pupils' skills across Progression Steps 1 and 2, ensuring continuity and smooth transition from the non-maintained nursery curriculum to the Curriculum for Wales through the purposeful use of the three enablers to create authentic learning experiences that support the progress and development of every learner.

Priority 4: To improve mathematics standards across the school through the implementation of the Singapore Maths (Mastery) approach, developing pupils' deep conceptual understanding, reasoning, and problem-solving skills through consistently high-quality teaching and progressive curriculum design.

ATTENDANCE AT YSGOL GYMREG TEILO WELSH SANT 2025/26

The Governing Body usually sets a target of 95% for whole school attendance. A policy has been adopted and reviewed which outlines the steps to be taken by the school in conjunction with the Education Welfare Officer to try to reach this target and reduce unauthorised absences. This includes contacting parents to seek clarification of any unauthorised absence, removing the N code in the register. The overall attendance in 2025/26 was 94.5%.

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

The school has a child protection policy based on national guidelines. The designated staff members for child protection are Mr Ioan Jones and Mrs Maureen Williams. There is also a designated member of the governing body with responsibility for safeguarding and child protection.

A TASTE OF THE SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES

The experiences below were provided by our school staff and members of the wider community for our pupils.

- Visiting local businesses
- Basic first Aid training
- Visits from PC Boyt, the school nurse and the Fire Service
- Halloween Disco (PTA)
- Visiting Ysgol Maes y Gwendraeth and Menter Bro Dinefwr
- Festival of the Senses in Llandeilo Town
- Urdd Competitions (Performing, Art, Sport and Cooking)
- School choir singing at the Dinefwr Christmas Fair
- Quiz 'Llyfrau Cymru'
- Residential trip to Llangrannog
- School Christmas Fair
- St David's Day celebrations
- Visiting Cae Glas and Awel Tywi residential homes
- Sports Day

- Talent Teilo
- School Summer Fair

SPORTING EXPERIENCES

- Training for the school's Bronze Ambassadors
- Carmarthenshire School's Cross Country
- Ysgol Bro Dinefwr's cluster schools' cross country
- The Urdd Rugby Competition
- Scarlets Rugby festival
- Swimming Lessons
- Actif Sir Gâr 7 a side football
- Urdd football tournament
- The Urdd Netball Competition
- The Urdd cricket competition
- Tennis workshop

RAISING MONEY

Tenovus - £132.00 was raised.
Children in need - £155.55 was raised.
Joseph's Smile - £284.50
Christmas jumper day (Save the Children)- ££262.50was raised.

SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2026/27

Term dates and school holidays

Please note that this calendar is subject to any changes that may arise as a result of government policy decisions. We do not accept liability for any losses incurred in respect of altered holiday arrangements following such changes.

FULL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2025/2026

Below is a summary of the school's financial position for 2025/26 (up to 31/03/2026)

2183 **Ysgol Teilo Sant**

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Gwelir isod crynodeb sefyllfa ariannol terfynol eich ysgol ar gyfer 2025/26.		Please see below a summary of your school's final outturn position for 2025/26.
Gwariant Net 2025/26	816,808	Net Expenditure 2025/26
Dyraniad Ariannu yn ôl Fformwla 2025/26	731,082	Formula Funding Allocation 2025/26
Diffyg Ariannol a Ddygwyd Ymlaen o 2024/25	79,612	Deficit Brought Forward from 2024/25
Diffyg Ariannol yn Cario Ymlaen i 2026/27	165,338	Deficit Carried Forward to 2026/27

Prif Grantiau / Main Grants

Enw'r Grant / Grant Name	Côd Swydd / Job Code	Dyraniad / Allocation £	Gwariant / Expenditure £
GAALL Safonau Ysgol / LAEG School Standards	050786	-68,936	76,183
GAALL Diwygio'r Cwricwlwm / LAEG Curriculum Reform	050793	-2,139	2,526
GAALL ADY / LAEG ALN	050763	-4,392	4,455
Dysgu Proffesiynol / Professional Learning	050590	-3,683	3,862
GDD / PDG	050337	-7,406	12,292
GDDBC/ EYPDG	050838	-2,300	2,863
GDD – Ysgolion heb PYADd / PDG – Schools with no FSM	050588	0	0

Grantiau Eraill / Other Grants

Enw'r Grant / Grant Name	**Côd Swydd / Job Code**	**Dyraniad / Allocation** **£**
GAALL Diwygio ADY / LAEG ALN Refom	050354	-1,000
Grant Codiad Cyflog Athrawon / Teachers' Pay Award Grant	050591	-3,293
Grant Trochi Hwyr / Late Immersion Grant	050675	0
Bwyd a Hwyl / Food and Fun	050743	0
GAALL Arweinir gan Alw / LAEG Demand Led	Amrywiol / Various	-14,120
GAALL Safonau Ysgolion – Ysgolion yn Achosi Pryder / LAEG School Standards Schools Causing Concern	050816	0
Grant Paratoi am Lwyddiant / Primed for Success Grant	050823	0
GDD PDG/ PDG LAC	050962	0

CONCLUDING MESSAGE

As we reflect on the 2025-26 academic year, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our stakeholders for their continued support, commitment and hard work throughout the year.

Our pupils have once again demonstrated enthusiasm, resilience and a willingness to learn, achieving success both inside and outside the classroom. We are extremely proud of their many accomplishments and the positive contribution they make to school life each day.

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated staff team, whose professionalism, care and commitment ensure that every child receives the best possible education and support. Despite the ongoing financial pressures facing schools, our teachers and support staff continue to go above and beyond to provide high-quality teaching and learning experiences for all pupils.

The school was particularly pleased to receive a very positive interim inspection visit just two weeks before the end of the summer term. The findings recognised the many strengths of the school and confirmed that we continue to provide high-quality teaching, learning and support for our pupils. We were delighted with the feedback received and would encourage parents to read the report, which is available on the Estyn website.
I would also like to thank our parents and carers for their ongoing partnership with the school. Your encouragement, support and engagement play a vital role in helping our children thrive both academically and personally.

A special thank you must go to our Parent Teacher Association (PTA), whose tireless efforts and commitment throughout the year have raised valuable funds for the school. Their hard work enables us to provide additional resources, experiences and opportunities that enrich our pupils' learning and support their wider development. We are extremely grateful for everything they do on behalf of our school community.
I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to the many volunteers who have supported the school throughout the year. Whether you have helped with educational visits, listened to children read, supported school events, assisted with fundraising activities, or volunteered your time in other ways, your contribution has been greatly appreciated. The time, commitment and goodwill you have shown make a real difference to our school community. No matter how large or small your contribution, your support has been invaluable and has helped us provide the very best experiences for our pupils.

Finally, I would like to thank our Governing Body for their continued guidance, challenge and support. The strength of our school lies in the collective efforts of everyone involved, and I am proud of all that we have achieved together this year.
As we look ahead to the coming year, we remain committed to providing the highest standards of education and care for every child and to building upon the successes we have achieved together.

Ioan Jones
Headteacher