

## The New Welsh Curriculum Information for Parents

During this school year we will be sending information every couple of months to all parents regarding the changes to the National Curriculum in Wales which is due to begin in September 2022. We hope that you will find them informative and useful. If you have any questions regarding the new curriculum please do not hesitate to contact school staff.

In February 2015 Professor Graham Donaldson conducted an independent review of the curriculum and assessment arrangements in Wales. His report 'Successful Futures' provided the foundations for a 21st century curriculum shaped by national and international thinking.



Since the report, teachers and stakeholders have been consulted at events across Wales to gather their thoughts and start to shape future curriculum and assessment arrangements.



The new curriculum will have more emphasis on equipping young people for life. It will build their ability to learn new skills and apply their subject knowledge more positively and creatively. They will also get a deep understanding of how to thrive in an increasingly digital world. A new digital competence framework is now introducing digital skills across the curriculum, preparing them for the opportunities and risks that an online world presents.



The central focus of assessment arrangements will be to ensure learners understand how they are performing and what they need to do next. There will be a renewed emphasis on assessment for learning as an essential and integral feature of learning and teaching.



The new curriculum will be taught firstly to all year groups from primary to Year 7 from September 2022 and will then roll out year-on year from this point.