

A report on

Llangattock School Monmouth

Llangattock-Vibon-Avel
Monmouthshire
Monmouth
NP25 5NG

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by

Estyn, His Majesty's Inspectorate for Education and Training in Wales

About Llangattock School Monmouth

Name of provider	Llangattock School Monmouth
Proprietor status	Individual proprietor
Language of the provider	English
Type of school	Independent all age
Residential provision?	No
Number of pupils on roll	100
Pupils of statutory school age	85
Date of previous Estyn visit	03/03/2025
Start date of visit	05/08/2025

School context:

Llangattock School Monmouth is an independent day school for boys and girls aged 3 to 18 years. The school is located in a spacious rural site, situated in an elevated position above Monmouth in south-east Wales.

The proprietor is also the principal of the school. The headteacher has been in post since 2020.

There are currently 100 pupils on roll of whom a very few are below compulsory school age, many are aged 4 to 16 years, and a few are in post-16 education. Around half of the school's pupils have an Individual Development Plan or an Education, Health and Care Plan, and the school receives funding from local authorities for each of these pupils.

The school's last inspection was in March 2025. At the time of the inspection, the school did not meet the requirements for the Independent School Standards (Wales) Regulations 2024. To comply fully with these requirements, the school was required to address the issues identified below:

Standard 3 - Welfare, health and safety of pupils

• Ensure that a Fire Risk Assessment is made by a suitably competent person as soon as is practicable, and that any matters raised by this assessment are addressed [3(14)]

Standard 5 - Premises of and boarding accommodation at schools

- Prepare and implement a legionella testing regime, overseen by an identified and suitably trained responsible person [27(a)]
- Prepare and implement an asbestos management plan [27(i)]
- Ensure that there are appropriate facilities for pupils who are ill in accordance with school premises regulations [27(l)]

The Welsh Government asked the school to produce a post-inspection action plan to address the areas of non-compliance. The school submitted a plan in May 2025, and this was accepted by the Welsh Government in August.

In August 2025, an HMI and an Additional Inspector visited the school to evaluate the school's compliance with the previously non-compliant Standards.

Main findings

Since the core inspection in March 2025, the school's leaders have taken effective action to address the identified areas of non-compliance.

They have:

- Commissioned a fire risk assessment from an external provider in April 2025 and taken appropriate steps in response to the assessment's recommendations
- Prepared and implemented a legionella testing regime, overseen by an identified and suitably trained responsible person
- Prepared and implemented an asbestos management plan
- Selected and equipped a designated medical room which provides appropriate facilities for pupils who are ill in accordance with school premises regulations

As a result of these actions, there is now no evidence that the school does not comply with the Independent School Standards (Wales) Regulations 2024.

Compliance with the standards for registration

Independent school inspections are governed by the Education Act 2002 and related regulations: the Independent School Standards (Wales) Regulations 2024. These regulations require an independent school to meet an appropriate standard in the following areas:

The quality of education provided by the school

This Standard was not considered on this visit.

The spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of pupils

This Standard was not considered on this visit.

Welfare, health and safety of pupils

On the basis of this inspection, there is no evidence to indicate that the school does not meet the regulatory requirements for this standard.

The suitability of proprietors and staff

This Standard was not considered on this visit.

Premises of and boarding accommodation at schools

On the basis of this inspection, there is no evidence to indicate that the school does not meet the regulatory requirements for this standard.

The provision of information

This Standard was not considered on this visit.

The manner in which complaints are to be handled

This Standard was not considered on this visit.

Recommendation regarding continued registration

When considering this school's registration, the Welsh Government may wish to have regard to the following recommendation:

On the basis of this visit, there is no evidence to indicate that the school does not meet the requirements of the Independent School Standards (Wales) Regulations 2024.

Inspectors' judgements on this limited inspection should not prejudice the findings of a future, full Section 163 inspection.

Copies of the report

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The report was produced in accordance with section 163 of the Education Act 2002. The main purpose of inspection under this section is to report on compliance with the Independent Schools Standards (Wales) Regulations 2024. In schools that provide non-maintained nursery education, this report also satisfies the requirements of Schedule 26 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998.

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