



Report summary for parents and carers on Hook C.P. School

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

Overview

Leaders and staff at Hook County Primary School work with dedication to create a positive and caring environment where pupils are valued, and families feel part of the learning community. Pupils enjoy coming to school, are enthusiastic about their work and appreciate the opportunities they are given to share their ideas about what they would like to learn.

The headteacher has worked effectively with staff, parents, and governors to establish a clear vision for a happy and healthy school with high aspirations for its pupils. The school creates regular opportunities for parents to contribute to the curriculum and feel part of their children's learning.

Leaders know the school well and have a clear understanding of its strengths and areas for improvement. For example, the school recognises the need to improve pupils' skills in speaking Welsh and to develop more engaging opportunities for them to apply their numeracy skills across the curriculum. Where areas for development are identified, leaders ensure that progress is swift, for example when improving pupils' speaking and listening skills.

Teachers are well supported by skilful teaching assistants and plan engaging learning experiences that help to ensure that pupils make good progress over time. They encourage pupils to use a range of strategies to help them become independent and reflective learners. However, in a minority of lessons, learning activities do not provide enough challenge for pupils or allow them to produce work of a high enough standard.

Pupils behave extremely well in lessons and around the school, and show respect to their friends and adults. Staff know pupils well. There is good support for pupils that need extra help, and a strong culture of inclusion across the school, where all pupils are valued and given equal opportunity to be involved in all aspects of school life.

Recommendations

R1 Improve pupils' skills in speaking Welsh

R2 Refine the provision for independent learning across the school to ensure that there is appropriate challenge for all pupils

R3 Improve opportunities for pupils to apply their numeracy skills across the curriculum

What happens next

The school will draw up an action plan to show how it is going to address the recommendations.



School context

Name of provider	Hook C.P. School
Local authority	Pembrokeshire County Council
Language of the provider	English
Type of school	Primary
Religious character	N/A
Number of pupils on roll	83
Pupils of statutory school age	61
Number in nursery classes	11
Percentage of pupils eligible for free school meals over a three-year average (The national percentage of pupils eligible for free school meals over a three-year average in Primary is 23.0%)	9.7%
Percentage of pupils identified as having additional learning needs (a) (The national percentage of pupils identified as having an additional learning need in Primary is 16.1%)	19.7%
Percentage of pupils who speak Welsh at home	0.0%
Percentage of pupils with English as an additional language	0.0%
Date of headteacher appointment	01/01/2022
Date of previous Estyn inspection (if applicable)	01/02/2015
Start date of inspection	24/04/2023

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