

Additional Learning Needs

At YGG Gwaun Cae Gurwen we feel that we provide good support for children who have **Additional Learning Needs**. We feel that all learners within the school are supported well, and that we have positive working relationships with learners and their families, as well as other individuals and organisations that work with the young person. We feel that the support, guidance and interventions that we offer is tailored to meet the needs of each learner individually, and that this support is monitored and adapted appropriately and in a pupil centred way . Our last inspection report states that children with Additional Learning Needs are making good progress towards their targets. It also states that staff identify pupils' personal and ALN at an early stage and provide purposeful intervention programmes for them.

Additional Learning Needs legislation in Wales is changing, and this is known as the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Reform. At YGG Gwaun Cae Gurwen we are working hard to prepare for these changes

The law is changing for several reasons:

- The child or young person's needs might be found too late
- The support might be provided to the young person too late
- The young person and their parents/carers might not be involved enough in planning
- The current system can be complicated to understand
- The law only currently covers children and young people up to the age of 19

The new legislation for ALN will bring about several main changes for ALN. It:

- Brings together all current systems into a new, single system for ALN
- Is pupil centred, where young people and their parents are involved in decision making
- Provides learners with the same type of statutory plan (Individual Development Plan or IDP), irrespective of age or setting
- Improves transition between settings
- Allows further Welsh language provision
- Is a fair and transparent system for all.