



School Session Times Policy

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Introduction

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the structure of the school day provides the best possible framework for teaching and learning. Our aim at Ysgol Cedewain is to allow sufficient time to ensure delivery of a broad and balanced curriculum and collective worship, as well as the necessary time for registration and breaks.

The Changing of School Session Times (Wales) Regulations came into force on 1st April 2009. Section 32 of the Education Act 2002, as amended by the Learner Travel (Wales) Measure 2008, sets out who is responsible for determining the dates of school terms, school holidays and the times of school sessions. For Ysgol Cedewain the governing body determines the times of school sessions (with the local education authority determining the dates of the school terms and holidays).

Roles and Responsibilities of Governors

The Governing Body of Ysgol Cedewain will ensure that, if changes are being considered to the school day, the headteacher will consult fully with staff, parents, pupils and the LA to ensure that:

- A statement is prepared specifying the proposed change and, if required to do so by the LA
- Provide a copy of the statement to all parents and make copies available for inspection at the school
- Call a meeting, if requested by parents, to discuss the proposed change
- Consider any comments made and decide whether to implement the proposed change, with or without any modification
- Inform the LA and parents of any change before it takes effect

Taught Time

DfEE Circular 7/90 suggests weekly teaching times as a guide for schools:

At Ysgol Cedewain the taught time session times are as follows: 09.00 to 15.15

Home/School transport arrives on site between 8.50 and 9.00 in the morning and between 3.10 and 3.20 in the afternoon.

There is a 15 minute break each morning and an hour at lunchtime, of which 30 minutes is taught time when pupils are on eating and drinking programmes, or have lessons/sessions of communication skills/ICT skills or clubs

Signed	<i>P. M. Sullivan</i>	Headteacher
Signed	<i>G. T. Owen</i>	Chair of Governors
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