



2014 – 2015 Chairman’s report
Mr Denfer Morgan

It’s been another busy and successful year at Aberaeron Primary School. This has been written on behalf of the governing body and its contents covers the academic year 2014-2015. We did not hold a parents’ meeting this year but decided that as we have not held one for the last two years it would be timely to do so in the next academic year on the 4th of November 2015 at 7pm.

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Adroddiad Cyllid/ Financial Report

Financial Performance 2014/15 Cyflwyniad Ariannol 2014/15			
2281	£	£	
Employee Costs			Costau Gweithwyr
Teacher Costs	398,398		Costau Athrawon
NNEB, Care Assistants	25,361		NNEB, Cynorthwywyr Gofal
Caretaking Costs	1,088		Costau Gofalwyr
Administrative Officers	10,068		Swyddogion Gweinyddol
Supply Teacher Costs	11,844		Costau Athrawon Llanw
Other Employee Costs	7,172		Costau Gweithwyr Eraill
TOTAL EMPLOYEE COSTS		453,931	CYF. COSTAU GWEITHWYR
Premises Costs			Costau'r Adeilad
Repair and Maintenance	3,561		Cynnal a Chadw
Grounds Maintenance	1,075		Cynnal a Chadw'r Tir
Energy Costs	12,756		Costau Ynni
Rents etc.	0		Rhent a.y.y.b.
General Rates	9,815		Trethi
Water Charges	3,305		Costau Dwr
Fixtures and Fittings	37		Nwyddau Gosod
Cleaning Supplies and Services	13,619		Nwyddau a Gwasanaethau Glanhau
Premises Insurances	0		Yswiriant yr Adeilad
TOTAL PREMISES COSTS		44,169	CYF. COSTAU'R ADEILAD
Transport Costs			Costau Trafnidiaeth
Direct Transport Costs	2,720		Costau Trafnidiaeth
Travelling Costs	200		Costau Teithio
Transport Insurances			Yswiriant Trafnidiaeth
TOTAL TRANSPORT COSTS		2,920	CYF. COSTAU TRAFNIDIAETH
Supplies and Services			
Capitation Related Expenditure	35,739		Gwariant - Lwfans Y Pen
Other Supplies and Services	27,602		Nwyddau a Gwasanaethau Eraill
Postages	45		Costau Postio
Telephone Costs	1,538		Teleffon
TOTAL SUPPLIES AND SERVICES		64,923	CYF. NWYDDAU A GWASANAETH
GROSS EXPENDITURE		565,943	GWARIANT GROS
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General Income	-24,579		Incwm Cyffredinol
TOTAL INCOME		-24,579	CYFANSWM YR INCWM
NET EXPENDITURE		541,364	GWARIANT NET
Funding Available			Arian sydd ar Gael
Rev Formula Funding 14/15	545,791		Ariannu yn ol Fformwla Diw 14/15
Balance b/f 1 April 2014	29,064		Gweddill c/d 1 Ebrill 2014
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NET VARIANCE		33,491	AMRYWIANT NET
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TOTAL 14/15 SURPLUS		33,491	CYFANSWM ARIAN WRTH GEFN

Cysylltiadau Cymunedol/ Community Links

- We had a very successful Coffee Morning at school and we managed to raise £720 for Macmillan. Everyone dressed up in pink and green clothes and contributed to the cause. For the first time this year we had a 'Bake off' competition for the children and many creative and colourful cakes arrived in school. Declan Squires won the competition and all the cakes were sold for a substantial profit. Thank you to everyone for their support and to the people of Aberaeron who joined us as well.
- Our Harvest Thanksgiving was held in Peniel Chapel where we celebrated the achievements of the famous Welsh author T.Llew Jones. Every class presented poetry by T.Llew and all the pupils sang Cwm Alltcafán. John Meirion Jones gave a talk on his stories and his enthusiastic personality. A collection of £196 was made during the service to Aberaeron Cancer Committee. Many thanks to the officials of Peniel Chapel for their readiness for us to hold the service in the chapel.
- Many thanks to everyone who joined us in our Christmas Service at Tabernacle Chapel. The service gave us a homely family atmosphere and created the festival feel. A collection of £330 was collected for NSPCC during the service.
- Our thanks to everyone who joined in our Children in Need day by wearing pyjamas and making a donation. The £168.00 collected will help worthy causes.
- The Nursery and Reception Class had the opportunity to take part in a Sponsored Bike Ride. The track had been created by them around the school yard. Thank you all for your support. It was wonderful to see families and friends join in the fun. The monies raised bought all weather clothes for both classes.
- The school ambassadors, Cerys and Rhodri from year 6 decided to arrange a coffee morning and to invite all pupils to wear their own clothes to school in order to raise funds for Nepal on Friday, May 15th. £722.71 was raised, a fantastic amount.
- Yr.2 and Yr.5 had a visit from Karen of the Fire Service. She gave an interesting talk on how to keep safe and what to do in an emergency.
- The whole of KS.2 had a fabulous time with the RNLI learning the skills to become beach lifeguards.
- Thank you to Michael & Dawn Tarling and P.C.Sharon Thomas & P.C. Mike for visiting the school to undertake bicycle safety and cycling sessions with Year 3 & 4 pupils as part of their cycling theme.
- P.C. Jackie and PC Alun gave all the children an interesting talk about how to be good friends and look after each other. It was good to be able to share our ideas and agree on the importance of looking after each other.
- We welcomed instrumentalists from China, who were on a visit to the University of Wales Trinity St.David, Lampeter to school and they performed a concert for the pupils.
- Years 3 & 4 had a great morning cleaning the beach with Pob and Dafydd as part of the Keep Wales Tidy Week. They collected a number of sacks of rubbish and they found a number of very interesting objects.
- The School Council have been very successful in organising that every child had the opportunity to create their own Christmas cards to be sold. Thanks to Miss Janet and Gwasg Aeron for their co-operation and to the Harbourmaster and the Aberaeron Community Committee for letting us have a stall at their Christmas activities.
- Thanks to all that filled Rotary Boxes this year. They were sent to Eastern Europe to reach the children before Christmas
- PC Jackie visited years 4, 5 & 6 to give a talk on 'Safety on the Internet' to all the pupils recently.
- The Bishop of St.David's visited the school —The Very Reverend Wyn Evans in the company of Rev. John Lewis. It was a great honour to have him visit the school as he had dressed up in his special uniform and went into great detail to explain every detail of his dress.
- Congratulations to the School Council for reaching the final round of 'Y Criw Mentrus'. This

is a competition organised by the Welsh Assembly to promote business enterprise in schools. The School Council have established a brand under the name 'Creu Aeron Creative' which uses pupils' art & craft work to create different merchandise. We have already created Christmas cards, greeting cards and bags. They took part in an area competition at Carmarthen which they won and they went on to represent South West Wales at the Welsh Assembly on 19th March. The company representatives who travelled to the National Assembly of Wales in Cardiff to the final round were Theo Holgate, Mia Browne, Jessica Jones and Kyle Crees. Their 'Creu Aeron' won the National Business Engagement Award. Many thanks to all the businesses in Aberaeron who are supporting us. Creu Aeron have also been busy producing unique aprons, designed by the children with fish prints. The aprons were on sale at the Aberaeron Fish Festival on 5th July.

- PC Jackie visited once again this term to give safety talks on 'drug misuse' and 'beach and sun safety'.

Sport

- Julie McAdam from Hockey Wales visited the school over a number of weeks teaching the children of years 3—6 basic hockey skills during their sports lesson.
- We had a wonderful day at the Ceredigion swimming gala with all the children doing extremely well. We managed to win 14 out of 26 competitions and as a result 16 pupils went on to represent the school at the National Swimming Gala in Cardiff in January.
- Congratulations to the school's netball team for winning the Urdd area netball competition in Ceredigion.
- National Urdd Swimming Gala - 16 children from the school represented the county in 14 events. There were excellent performances with nearly all individuals setting personal bests.
- Dyfed Cross Country meet - 40 children represented the school at this competition and we had fantastic results, winning 14 medals altogether. Due to the great efforts of the children the school came joint 2nd in the school competition. Two children went on to represent Dyfed on Thursday 26th March against West Glamorgan.
- **URDD 7 A-SIDE RUGBY** A team from the school competed at the above competition and everyone had a good time.
- Congratulations to the school's athletics team on fantastic results and winning Dyfed Championship with 42 points.
- Congratulations to the girls and boys team for doing so well at the Urdd County football competition recently.
- Urdd National Cross Country Running - 30 children represented the school at the Urdd Sports Festival in Aberystwyth and we had fantastic results and managed to win 17 medals.
- Alwyn Davies from Ceredigion County Council visited the school to hold a sports inspection for KS.2 pupils on their new i-pads.
- The school's netball team reached the final round at the Urdd Sports Festival in Aberystwyth on May 10th. We had great results, winning 1, draw 1 and losing 1 in the group.
- Congratulations to the Yr.4 Cricket team who reached the semi-finals at Llandysul. Thanks to the parents that supported.
- 7 children represented Dyfed against West Glamorgan and performed admirably.

Performances

- The Area Urdd Eisteddfod was held at Theatre, Felinfach. Congratulations to the following who were successful:- Solo Yr.2 & under—Ela Griffiths-Jones, 1st
Cerdd Dant Yr.2 & under—Ela Griffiths-Jones, 1st
Recitation Yr.2 & under—Eos Dafydd, 1st
Solo Yr.2 & under—Eos Dafydd 2nd, Disco Dancing—1st, Parti Unsain—2nd, Ymgom—2nd, Harp Solo—Swyn Dafydd, 3rd
Many thanks to all the parents and friends for their support as usual.
- Congratulations to Ela Mablen for a fantastic result at the County Eisteddfod in Pontrhydfendigaid. She received 1st in the Solo Yr.2 & Under and Cerdd Dant Yr.2 & under.

She then went on to win 3rd place in the Cerdd Dant Solo Yr.2 and under at the National Urdd Eisteddfod in Caerphilly. This was a great achievement as Ela is only in the Reception Class. She also represented Ceredigion in the Solo Yr. 2 and under competition in Caerphilly.

- School Eisteddfod - After two days of keen competitions, Alban were victorious in the Foundation Phase and Pentŵr in KS.2. The chair was won by Rhodri, the crown by Molly and the Craft Trophy by Tymon. The Foundation Phase Chair was won by Lilly Mae and the Art trophy won by Bronwen.
- Once again this year, Aberaeron Primary School had great representation in the School Proms Concert.
- On Saturday, December 6th the Christmas festivities started in Aberaeron with the switching on of the Christmas tree and an afternoon of celebrations in Pwll Cam.
- More than 50 pupils entertained the Senior Citizens at their Christmas party in Peniel Chapel. Many thanks to Mrs Griffiths-Jones for organising the entertainment.
- The Reception Class went to entertain the residents of Penrodyn at their monthly meeting. They sang a variety of songs and nursery rhymes.
- The school choir sang at the Cardigan Bay Fish Festival. It was also the school brass band's first public gig—they were also fabulous.

Curriculum Statement

Pupils are placed in aged based classes. The curriculum planned for the school includes all the statutory requirements of the Foundation Stage Areas of Learning and the National Curriculum. It is balanced and broadly based and most of it is taught through cross-curricular themes to ensure relevance across the curriculum. Such themes are initially planned by the whole school to ensure continuity, breadth, balance and differentiation. Care is taken in the coverage and progression of skills and concepts at all stages, as well as ensuring that the aims and knowledge content for each age group are catered for. Throughout the school, the aim is to provide the children with a wide variety of interesting experiences through topic work, thus helping to develop their potential. The Areas of Learning and the National Curriculum apply to all children unless exemption has been made for an individual through a statement of special educational needs. Curriculum documents can be accessed through the head teacher. We also cross reference all aspects of learning to the Literacy /Numeracy Framework.

Additional Learning needs

Aberaeron Primary School provides for a whole range of Additional Learning Needs and endeavors to identify any needs a pupil may have as soon as possible. The school has a number of pupils identified as needing various levels of support.

All monies allocated for SEN are utilised to purchase the time of two specialist teachers, ICT equipment and resources. As much time as possible is given to the pupils according to their needs. By working with parents and external agencies, the school endeavours to obtain extra support when necessary and thus cater for individual needs. Pupils who are allocated individual support are provided with this as financed by the LEA.

When pupils move to the school from another school, staff endeavor to obtain all the relevant SEN information and strive to ensure continuity of provision. All relevant SEN documentation and information is transferred with the pupil when he/she moves school and staff attend relevant KS.2/3 transfer meetings for SEN pupils at the Comprehensive School.

Individual Education Plans with targets are written with the pupils involved and discussed with parents. A range of resources such as Lucid Cops, - are used to assist teachers with identifying pupils' needs.

Curricular Activities

- Pupils from years 3, 4, 5 & 6 had an interesting and fun sessions with the 'In Character' theatre company. Mathematical activities were held to tell the story of Robert Recorde, the Welshman who devised the = symbol as well as workshops on Arglwydd Rhys.
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- Years 3 & 4 and Reception Class visited Theatre Felinfach to see a Science show looking at various materials, the movement of air, shadows and the colours of the rainbow through various dramatic and dynamic activities.
 - Members of the Eco and Fair Trade Committee went to the Botanic Gardens to decorate a Christmas tree with decorations made from recycled materials. They had a great day decorating the tree and taking part in a number of Christmas workshops.
 - Yr. 1 and 2 had an exciting day at Castell Henllys. They met Arianrhod the Celt, and also had the opportunity to make bread, ground wheat, face painting, build a wall of mud and weave with wood.
 - Year 5 & 6 have received bible lessons by Mrs Hawkins.
 - Our thanks to Mrs Ifana Lloyd and her volunteer who have once again helped Year 1 learn about road safety. It is so important for children to understand how to look after themselves on the roadside.
 - Congratulations to Deian Buswell for winning the first round in the 'Cogurdd' competition at the school. Twenty four pupils competed and made a fruit salad which included all kinds of delicious fruits. Sara Griffiths from Manuka had a difficult task to adjudicate all the wonderful dishes.
 - Daniel Clemas' design was chosen to represent Ceredigion in the '2015 Parliament Flag Project'.
 - KS.2 pupils had a session of 'Crime Scene Investigation' with a representative from Techniquet.
 - As usual we held St. David's Day competitions between the school's different houses— Cadwgan, Alban & Pentwr. We started off with a procession around the town with everyone dressed in their traditional Welsh costumes. The adjudicators this year were Mr & Mrs Stan Thomas, Hazeldene and many thanks to them for giving their time to judge the costumes, daffodils and leeks. Alban came out on top and won the St. David's Day trophy.
 - World book day - Everyone arrived in school dressed up in all kinds of costumes as characters from their favourite books. They had a variety of activities during the day on their favourite books
 - Zhao , a teacher from China was with October last year teaching our pupils about the culture and language of China.
 - Yr 1 & 2 had a busy and exciting morning with Mr Davies from Techniquet. The children were solving practical mathematical problems in shape, money, number and data handling, to help Delyth the Dragon arrange her birthday party.
 - Years 4, 5 & 6 went to the University in Aberystwyth to take part in a number of scientific activities as part of British Science Week. Everybody had a morning packed with interesting experiences.
 - Daniel Clemas' winning flag representing Ceredigion has been chosen to fly outside the Houses of Parliament this week. Daniel's story was featured on the front page of the Cambran news.
 - Many thanks to Friends of the School for a very generous contribution towards buying 15 iPads and a trolley for use in all classes.
 - Year 5 & 6 pupils spent the week at Pendine Outdoor Education Centre recently. We had the opportunity to take part in a variety of exciting and adventurous activities in the sea, in the river, on the beach and on the mountain. It was great to socialise with pupils from other schools all over the county. Many thanks to Mr Jones, Mr Hubbard, Mrs Thomas, Miss Mari, Miss Susan and Miss Sarah for their help all week.

- The children enjoyed a wealth of talent in a concert by the peripatetic music teachers. They were fantastic. ‘They sounded like a CD miss’ was a comment made by one of our students.
- Melanie Heath our Special Area of Conservation Officer ran a series of workshops with the children. They had the opportunity to learn about dolphins, food chains and the natural habitat we have on our doorstep.
- Thank you to the Eco-Schools & Fair Trade Committees for organising our recycling sale. They made £303 and are going to invest in some equipment for the poly tunnel. Thank you to Mrs Jan Williams from Five Star Polytunnels for her help in putting up the poly tunnel and to the parents and friends for their help & contributions. We now have a real life poly tunnel, that was almost sabotaged by seagulls.
- Years 3 and 4 learned so much during their educational residential visit to Naturesbase in Cilcennin. They camped, learnt how to look after themselves, learned about bush craft and lots about nature.
 - Sports Day - A wonderful day was had with every child in KS.2 given the opportunity to take part in both competitive and fun events. At the end of the day the winning team was Cadwgan. The shields for athletes of the Year were presented to Chloe Towell for the girls and Joshua Tarling for the boys.
- 32 businesses are taking part in the ‘Mini Menter’ competition this year! A record for the school, we have many entrepreneurs in our midst!
- Alan, a farmer from Malawi visited the school to talk about the importance of ‘Fair Trade’ to the farmers of his country. The pupils had an interesting talk and had the opportunity to ask questions.
- 22 Urdd members spent a weekend with other Ceredigion members. Everyone had a wonderful time and joined in all the activities.

Language Category

In accordance with Ceredigion’s language policy, Welsh is the main language of the school. English is introduced formally as a subject in Key Stage 2 (years 3 – 6). The school aims to ensure that all pupils are completely bilingual by the age of 11.

Attendance

The school’s attendance was 96.5% during the academic year 2013-2014 and as a result this year the school was placed in the first band. The attendance percentage doesn’t look as strong for the academic year 2014-2015 and therefore our target for the next academic year is 96% which is still above the authority target. Pupils with attendance levels below 80% are monitored carefully. The school follows ERW’s attendance policy regarding procedures dealing with unauthorised absences.

2014-2015

> 80%	80% - 84.99%	85% - 89.99%	90% - 94.99%	95% +
1.4%	0.7%	2.8%	25.7%	69.4%

Polisiâu/Policies

Adolygir bolisiau’r ysgol yn flynyddol. All policies are revised annually.

School Development Plan, Self Evaluation

The School Development plan is updated annually with priorities being recognised as a direct result of the school’s self-evaluation processes. All visits from the authority challenge advisers have supported and reinforced the school’s ability in identifying areas for improvement accurately. Progress against focused areas for improvement are revised termly and the school

has made good progress against targets during the last academic year. The main areas earmarked for the academic year were literacy and numeracy. This year the school was placed in the 'yellow' category of support in the national categorisation model.

The school continues to monitor progress against the recommendations of the 2011 Estyn Inspection.

School Prospectus

Changes have been made to reflect staff and governor changes, dates and end of KS results. The school prospectus will be revamped during the next academic year.

Toilet Facilities

The school has four toilets for the girls and four toilets for the boys within the Foundation Phase area. It has four toilets for the girls and two toilets and three urinals for the boys in the main part of the school. It also has a disabled toilet within the main building and in the cabins. All the toilets are cleaned daily.

Healthy Eating

The school promotes healthy living at every opportunity, with children partaking in healthy schools activities e.g. running club and cookery lessons. We are a healthy school and are aiming for the final accreditation within the next two years.

The pupils of Aberaeron Primary School have benefited from a wide range of exciting Learning opportunities during the last year and as a result have made very good academic progress. Thank you to the pupils, staff, parents and wider community for ensuring we have a great school.

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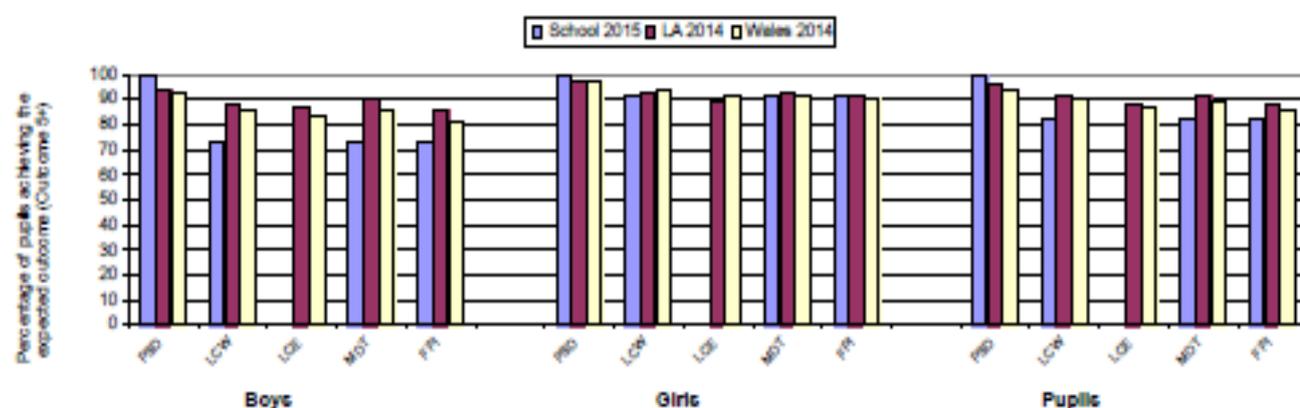
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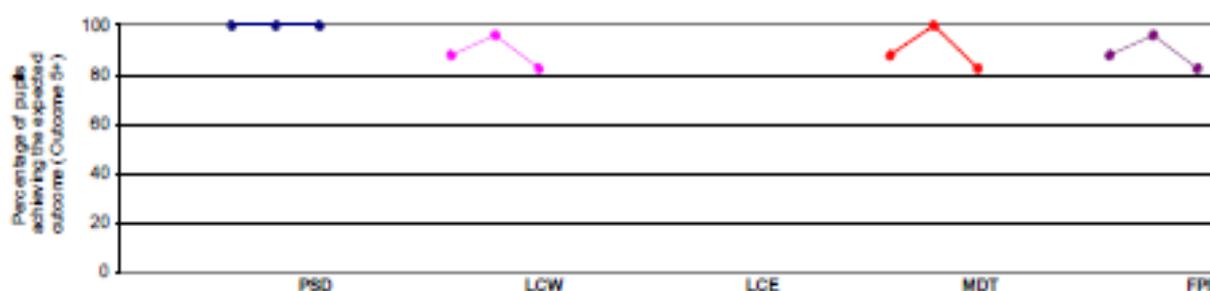
School comparative information: Foundation Phase Outcomes 2015

Percentage of boys, girls, and pupils achieving at least the expected outcome (Outcome 5+):

	Boys			Girls			Pupils		
	School 2015	LA 2014	Wales 2014	School 2015	LA 2014	Wales 2014	School 2015	LA 2014	Wales 2014
PSD	100	94	92	100	97	97	100	96	94
LCW	73	88	86	92	93	94	83	91	90
LCE	0	87	83	0	89	91	0	88	87
MDT	73	90	86	92	92	91	83	91	89
FPI	73	85	81	92	91	90	83	88	85



School Performance over time (2011 - 2015)



Notes:

- - No historical data available
- Areas of learning: PSD = Personal and social development, well-being and cultural diversity; LCW = Language, literacy and communication skills (In Welsh); LCE = Language, literacy and communication skills (In English); MDT = Mathematical development; FPI = Foundation Phase Indicator. To achieve the FPI, a pupil must achieve at least the expected outcome (Outcome 5+) in both PSD and MDT and either LCW or LCE.
- If there were no pupils eligible for assessment in a subject for a particular year the graph will discontinue and show a gap for that year.

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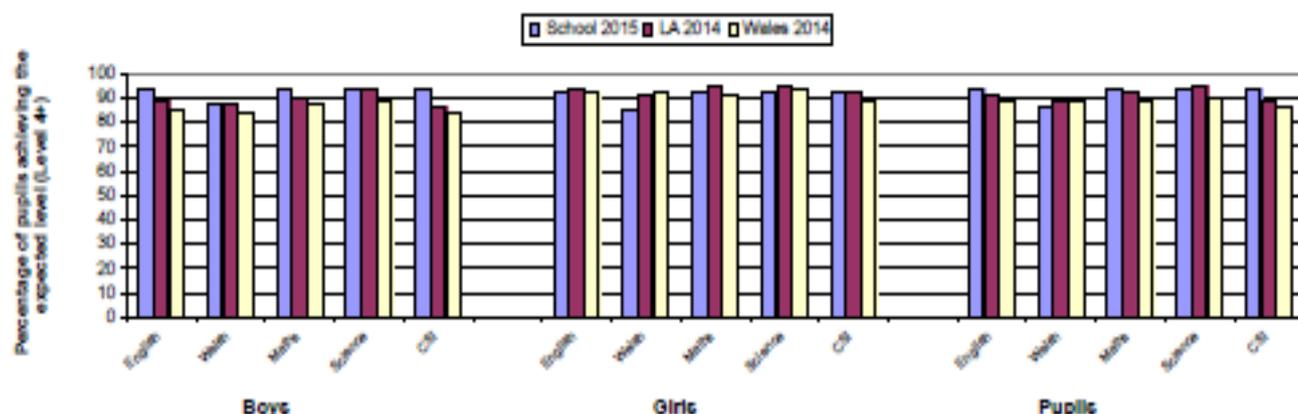
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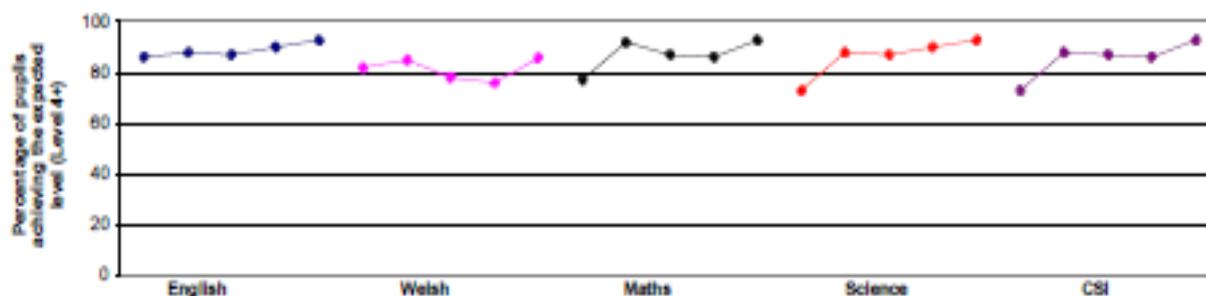
School comparative information: National Curriculum Assessments 2015 Key Stage 2

Percentage of boys, girls, and pupils achieving at least the expected level (Level 4+):

	Boys			Girls			Pupils		
	School 2015	LA 2014	Wales 2014	School 2015	LA 2014	Wales 2014	School 2015	LA 2014	Wales 2014
English	93	89	85	92	93	92	93	91	88
Welsh	87	87	84	85	91	92	86	89	88
Maths	93	90	87	92	94	91	93	92	89
Science	93	93	88	92	94	93	93	94	90
CSI	93	86	83	92	92	89	93	89	86



School Performance over time (2011 - 2015)



Notes:

- Figures for Welsh refer to attainment in Welsh first language only.
- CSI = Core Subject Indicator. To achieve the CSI a pupil must achieve at least the expected level 4 in both Mathematics and Science and either English or Welsh first language.
- If there were no pupils eligible for assessment in a subject for a particular year the graph will discontinue and show a gap for that year.