



Llanedeyrn
Primary School

**Tîm Gwella Ysgol -
#TheLlanWay**

Why is Pupil Voice important?

A whole-school approach means listening to the voices of everyone in the School Community. This includes children as well as adults. Children can offer unique perspectives on what it is like to be a pupil at our School; involving them in decision-making can create meaningful change and better academic outcomes, as well as facilitating a sense of empowerment and inclusion.

Pupil voice in schools means a whole-school commitment to listening to the views, wishes and experiences of all children. It means placing value on what children tell our staff about their experiences.

Children need to be provided with meaningful opportunities to share their experiences, views and hopes about our School. Pupils need to know that it is safe and that it is important for them to express their views on what happens at School. They need to know that what they say is valued and will be listened to and considered.

Schools with a strong commitment to Pupil Voice have reported many positive outcomes. These include a reduction in exclusions, better behaviour, better relationships across the whole-school community, and improving attainment and attendance.

How do we use Pupil Voice in our School?

We use Pupil Voice across the whole school in lessons, assemblies, on the playgrounds by:

- creating regular opportunities for children to share their views with each other and staff;
- varying the ways in which pupils can participate;
- Oracy assemblies that provide opportunities to make sure pupils understand a School's commitment to knowing what children want and need;
- a box placed in classrooms, when appropriate, as part of the Health and Well-being scheme of work so that pupils can express ideas, concerns and thoughts in a safe way;

- considering how we ensure that all children are being heard, across each age group, and within our Special Resource Bases, and for our mainstream children with ALN;
- considering how we overcome language barriers and also for those who do not attend regularly;
- making sure that consultation is varied and includes many different aspects of school life, for example, the curriculum, how pupils like to learn, facilities and the physical environment of our School, break times, after-school clubs, uniform, welfare and bullying;
- making sure that the values and ethos of our School reflect the commitment to pupil voice;
- embedding children's participation into all aspects of school life rather than just seeing it as an add-on by asking pupils the best way to promote participation and ensure their voices are heard within the School and wider community;
- reviewing regularly as something that worked once might not be working now, for example, involving pupils in reviewing the Anti-Bullying Policy. Does it work? What needs to change?

What is Tîm Gwella Ysgol?

Tîm Gwella Ysgol also known as **Tîm G** are our **School Improvers**. These are our more formal groups for Pupil Voice across our School.

Within Tîm G, there are 4 groups that work throughout the year at different points:

- Schools of Sanctuary;
- Oracy in Maths;
- Criw Cymraeg;
- Eco Builders.

Tîm G provides the children of Llanedeyrn a voice and a platform to make a change and have an impact on their environment, well-being and learning.

The Schools of Sanctuary Team

The Schools of Sanctuary Team meet fortnightly and their aim is to gain the Schools of Sanctuary Award. They organise whole school events such as Ukraine Day, No Outsiders Day and Refugee Week.

This Team is supported by Mrs. Bodin, Mrs. Aktar and Mrs. Rahman.

The Oracy in Maths Team

The Oracy in Maths Team meet fortnightly and their aim is to promote Oracy in Maths. They develop Mathematical Vocabulary, and support children's understanding of Mathematical Concepts through Oracy. They organise whole school events such as National Numeracy Day and Pi Day.

This Team is supported by Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Price.

The Criw Cymraeg

The Criw Cymraeg are working towards the Bronze Award as part of the Cymraeg Campus Scheme. They are the eyes and ears for the Welsh language. Each member is responsible for promoting the Welsh language within their class and each week they introduce our '*Phrase of the Week*'.

This Team is supported by Miss Stone, Mr. Krawiecki and Mrs. Deane.

The Eco Builders

The Eco Builders are aiming to achieve the Eco Flag. They have been involved in the Big Litter Pick; they ensure that recycling takes place in their classrooms; and are working on reducing the use of plastic within our School.

This Team is supported by Mrs. Venn and Mr. McLoughlin.

Super Ambassadors

Overarching Tîm Gwella Ysgol, we have our **Super Ambassadors**, who are our 2 Year 6 members. Their job is to:

- inform other pupils in our School about the Children's Commissioner, her powers and her aims and objectives;
- make sure other pupils know about Children's Rights under the UNCRC;
- do special missions for the Commissioner in our School.

This is supported by Mrs Hilton.

Digital Leaders

The Digital Leaders help to support the teachers and pupils within the classroom in technical skills and e-Safety. They have been working towards the 360 Cymru Award.

This Team is supported by Mr. Price and Mrs. Garre.