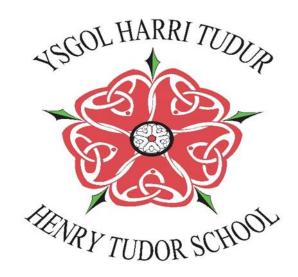
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Henry Tudor School

Involving Pupils/Students In Evaluating And Improving Learning Policy For Schools

Adopted by Governor Performance Committee May 2015 Review policy – every 3 years Last Review: Spring 2022 Next Review – Spring 2025

<u>Governors' Policy</u> Involving pupils/students in evaluating and improving learning

1 Rationale

Ysgol Harri Tudur / Henry Tudor School believes that involving pupils/students in their learning is at the heart of effective education. For learning to be effective, children and young people need to be actively involved in this process, so that they are motivated, engaged and able to develop as independent learners. Ysgol Harri Tudur / Henry Tudor School is committed to encouraging pupils/students to become co-constructors of the curriculum and active partners in developing effective teaching and learning approaches.

2 Aims

To create a purposeful partnership between pupils/students and staff to promote better learning through:

- creating an ethos of cooperation and collaboration;
- supporting creative and positive attitudes to learning;
- developing pupils'/students' leadership of learning'
- developing a deeper understanding of learning.

3 The Benefits

Ysgol Harri Tudur / Henry Tudor School recognises that the benefits of involving pupils/students in their learning include:

- increased motivation;
- better engagement;
- improved pro-social attitudes;
- raising self-esteem, confidence and skills;
- improved learning outcomes;
- developing assessment capable learners.
- raising self-esteem, confidence and skills;
- a more inclusive framework for school self-evaluation.

4. Developing a whole school approach

Ysgol Harri Tudur / Henry Tudor School encourages a whole school approach to involving pupils/students in deciding what and how they learn and in evaluating their learning and planning for improvement. We ensure that all staff understand the benefits of involving pupils/students in evaluating and improving learning, and are clear about their role in supporting this strategy.

The school's approach is based on the National Participation Standards (Appendix 1).

5. School practice and procedure for involving pupils/students in the evaluation and improvement of learning

Ysgol Harri Tudur / Henry Tudor School has developed a range of approaches which aim to include all pupils/students in the process of evaluating and improving learning in order to make it more effective.

The following approaches are used:

- Assessment for Learning (AFL) strategies such as peer marking, self-evaluation, setting of success criteria and higher order questioning;
- pupil surveys/questions on Google Classroom;
- Pupil Subject Leaders who eg work with staff to review a curriculum area and coconstruct learning;
- learner voice groups eg impact of cross curricular strategies such as literacy;
- House and school councils;
- cross curricular pupil voice groups;

(See Appendix 2)

6. Monitoring and Evaluation

The school regularly evaluates the processes for involving pupils/students in evaluating and improving learning against the National Participation Standards and Estyn framework.

Self-evaluation reports to the governing body include an explanation of how the views of the learner have been taken into account in the process.

Appendix 1



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Ysgol Harri Tudur / Henry Tudor School - Pupil Voice 2021-2022

Group	Focus	Frequency of meetings	Staff leads
Subject representatives PSLs2 per class per subject	Learning and teaching in subject disciplines Contribute to interviews	Half terms 2, 4 and 6	Directors and Deputy Directors of Faculty
Mentor / year group representative2 per mentor group	Whole school issues Contribute to interviews	Half termly	Heads of Key Stage
 School Council representatives 2 from each year group 	 Whole school issues Sub-committees: teaching and learning; wellbeing (to include empathy activists); resources. External pupil voice activities 	Half termly	S Smith R Edwards Link governor

Heads of House representative2 from each mentor group	Empathy into actionCommunity linksFundraising for chosen charity	Half termly	Heads of House
	Enrichment activities - House activities/competitions		
 Transition Council Representatives from each primary school in Year 6 & 7 	Transition issues Empathy into action: Empathy Charter	Once a term	Head of Key Stage 3
LGBTQ+	Promoting inclusivity; celebrating diversity; developing empathy.	Half termly	E Morgan
Eco-committee	Promoting environmental awareness in the school and local community	Half termly	T Meiring
Sports Council	Promoting opportunities to participate in sport and have an active lifestyle.	Half termly	G Davies R Fawcett