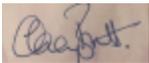


Ysgol Penmaes

Locality Risk Assessment

Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed as detailed in the school's policy review cycle. It may also be necessary to review and amend it sooner to reflect both local and national changes.

Ratified by Governing Body	Signature	Date
Headteacher: Angharad Bryn-Jones		09/04/25
Chair of Governors: Clancy Brett		09/04/25
Next review date: April 2026		



Ysgol Penmaes, Locality Risk Assessment

Our Vision is: At Ysgol Penmaes we continually strive to do more than just educate, it is our aim to offer every learner the opportunity to achieve their full potential in a safe, secure and enriching environment. We offer a curriculum that promotes ambitious, capable and informed learners at a developmentally appropriate level. Penmaes places a strong focus on the well-being of all, facilitated through highly effective communication processes. Learning is delivered in a way that facilitates an immersive multi-sensory curriculum that is fun and provides real life authentic experiences which help to build resilience; positively impacting development, whilst ensuring the promotion of collaboration and independence. As a special school, we ensure a common language for learning along with celebrating and embracing Cynefin/place whilst planning, teaching and learning ensures a broad, balanced and creative curriculum promoting the 4 purposes of the Curriculum for Wales and encouraging learners to be the best they can be.

Our Mission Statement is: Successful Healthy Individuals Nurturing Excellence

Our School Values are fundamental:

- Friendship and kindness
- Resilience and perseverance
- Empathy and trust
- Communication and respect
- Responsibility and teamwork

- Positivity and creativity
- Tolerance and trust

All of our values promote healthy, positive relationships. By modeling the values we aim to raise learners' self-esteem and confidence in learning, whilst creating a positive school community environment for all.

Name of School	Ysgol Penmaes
Date	29.01.2024
Review date	April 2025
Background info	<p>Ysgol Penmaes, Canal Road, Brecon, LD3 7HL</p> <p>Ysgol Penmaes, situated in the cathedral town of Brecon, is a busy, forward-looking school that provides high quality specialist education for pupils aged 3-19 with a wide range of learning difficulties.</p> <p>The Penmaes campus, completed in September 2006, includes a purpose built school and a residential unit for pupils on the Autistic Spectrum (Golwg y Bannau) Whilst these provisions are independent of the school, professionals liaise closely to provide seamless transition for pupils in order to provide the very best learning opportunities, experiences and resources in meeting their complex needs.</p>



Aldi



River



Theatr Brycheiniog



Canal



Infantry battle school



Playground



Y Gaer
Museum, Art Gallery and Library



Royal Welsh Regimental Museum



Brecon Morrisons



Brecon Leisure Centre



Brecon Cathedral

See above for key places in the near vicinity of the school.

Contacts:

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Mrs Luci Clark Deputy Headteacher (Acting Headteacher until 18/05/25)

Mrs Lucy Morgan Assistant Headteacher (Acting Deputy Headteacher until 18/05/25)

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Schools within a 2 mile radius:

Brecon High School

Ysgol Golwg Pen-y-Fan (Infant and Junior sites)

Christ College

Ysgol y Bannau

Priory Church in Wales Primary School

Llanfaes Primary School

NPTC Brecon College campus

Risks to pupils	Control Measures
Canal Busy roads River (rear of playground) Electricity pylon station Members of the public River	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Ysgol Penmaes has secure exits to the school, including a 6 foot boundary fence.● Separate absconson policy available.● Pupils are supervised at all times.● Any absconding pupils are followed / observed and emergency services are called if appropriate as per protocol identified in the Absconson Policy



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Road safety, water safety and stranger danger are routinely taught through the Health and Well-being curriculum appropriate to the age and needs of pupils.● All visitors to the school must sign in at the main reception, wear a visitor badge and are expected to read the Safeguarding information provided. All visitors who work with pupils possess a valid DBS.● Individual risk assessments are compiled where needed and appropriate staffing ratios put in place. Where risks are too high pupils are not permitted to leave the school site.● Robust risk assessments, advanced planning and consent forms are completed and recorded on EVOLVE before pupils leave the school site for educational purposes (when restrictions allow).● High staff/pupil ratio is adhered to for all off site experiences● Emergency phone numbers are available to staff at all times. Staff sign all pupils/ staff in and out of the school when going on visits.
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