

RHYL HIGH SCHOOL

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GOVERNORS' REPORT TO PARENTS 2017- 2018

The last academic year was an interesting time for the staff and pupils of Rhyl High School as it saw the introduction of new types of qualifications which meant different teaching requirements and different attainment targets for our pupils. I would normally compare and contrast the results from one year to the next however, the changes have meant there is no meaningful comparison to last year's results.

As a school, in comparison to other schools within our demographic across Wales, we have once again delivered excellent results and we are delighted with our performance given the level of changes that have been taken on board.

The Governing Body would once like to congratulate the Class of 2017 for all their hard work and thank all the teachers and staff at Rhyl High School for their significant effort and dedication in order to make all of this possible.

We have certainly gone from strength to strength since the move into our brand new school building and we are now well and truly settled and enjoying the fantastic facilities. We have made various adaptations along the way for example the scheduling of dinner times for the different year groups and we will continue to identify opportunities to run the school as efficiently as we can to give our pupils the best possible environment to learn and achieve the best outcomes possible from their education at Rhyl High School.

Pupil numbers have once again increased significantly in the school and we have a significant waiting list for September's Year 7 intake. We are always on the lookout for new Governors to join our very active and forward thinking Governing Body so if you are at all interested please contact the school for more information.

As a Governing body we are very pleased with the ongoing progress Mrs.Armitstead and her staff are making and there is always a long list of ideas and proposals being brought forward to Governors Meetings for us to consider. Financially we are in good shape and under control which is another testament to the great work taking place during this time of austerity and educational funding challenges. At this point I would like to thank Lindsey Owen who as our Strategic Business Manager has been instrumental in putting in place the controls and management systems to ensure our finances have remained healthy throughout the past 8 years and in particular as we have transitioned across to the new school building and pupil numbers have increased so dramatically.

The school remains highly ambitious and prides itself on being a positive and happy place for our pupils to grow and develop themselves. We also have very high hopes for the Class of 2018 to continue with the high level of achievement and reach their full potential in the forthcoming exams and we wish them well!

Mark Pearson

Chair of Governors



Rhyl Results Comparison 2016—2017

Key Stage 4	2016 Rhyl High	LEA	Wales	2016 Quartile Position	2017 Rhyl High	LEA	Wales	2017 Quartile Position
% Level 1	98.6%	93.7%	95.3%	2	96.3%	90.1%	94.4%	2
% Level 2	90.7%	83.6%	84.0%	2	46.3%	63.5%	66.9%	3
% Level 2 inc. English & Maths	54%	58.7%	60.3%	1	38.1%	50%	54%	2
% Core Subject Indicator	52.9%	56.5%	57.6%	1	38.1%	47.6%	53%	1

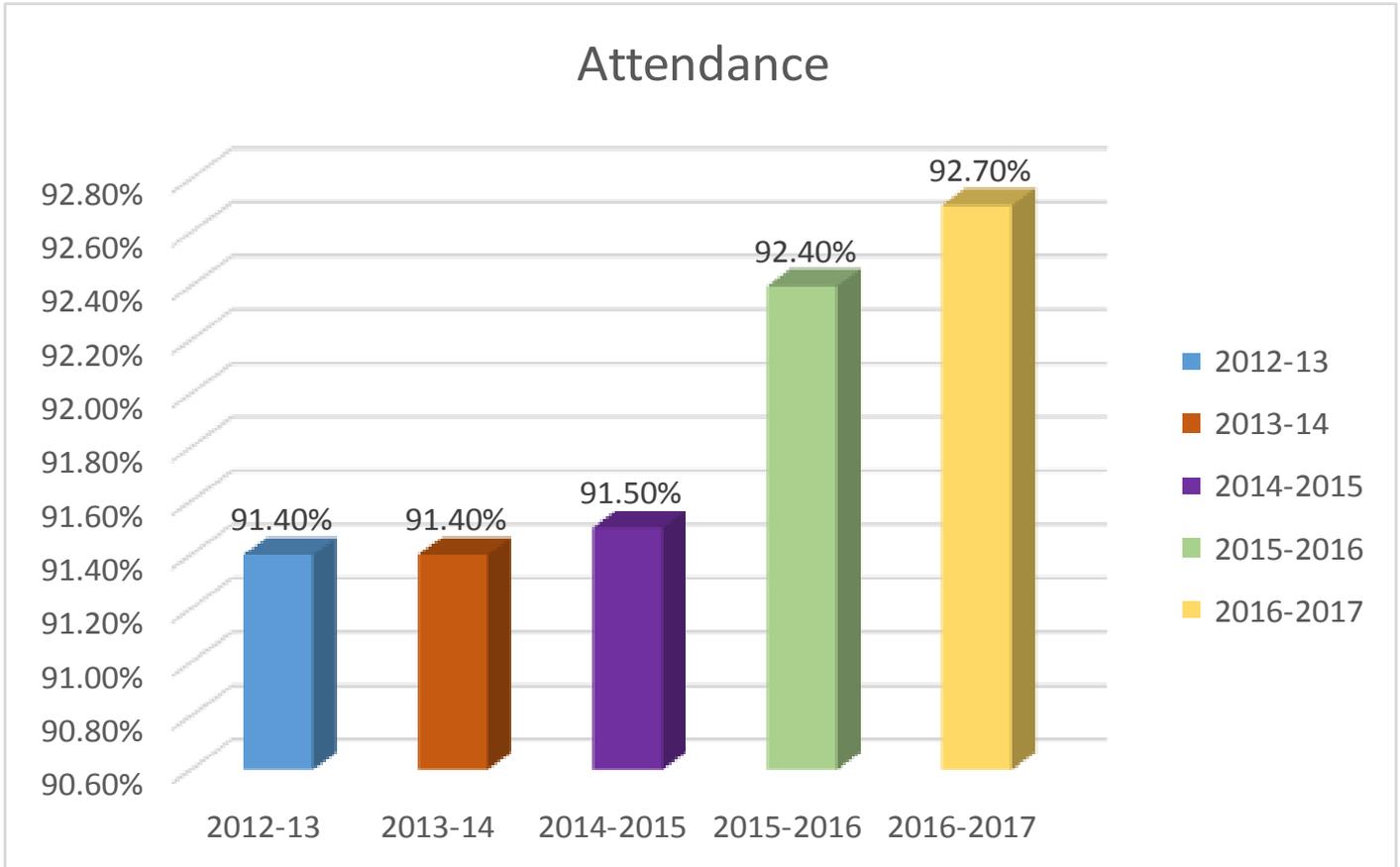
Key Stage 3	2016 Rhyl High	LEA	Wales	2016 Quartile Position	2017 Rhyl High	LEA	Wales	2016 Quartile Position
Core Subject Indicator % Level 5+	82.2%	86.4%	85.1%	1	81.8%	85.6%	87.4%	2
English % Level 5+	88.3%	89.5%	89.2%	1	93.3%	90%	90.5%	1
Maths % Level 5+	88.3%	90.9%	90.1%	2	87.3%	90.7%	90.8%	2
Science % Level 5+	90.2	93.1%	82.2%	2	90.9%	93.8%	93.5%	2

Key Stage 4 results show what pupils have achieved at the end of Year 11. We are extremely proud of the fantastic achievements of all our pupils.

Key Stage 3 is made up of Years 7, 8 and 9. They are assessed throughout Key Stage 3 to monitor their progress. Our results at Key Stage 3 are really showing the wonderful efforts of our younger students.

Attendance:

2012-13	2013-14	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017
91.4 %	91.4%	91.5%	93.7%	92.7%



Attendance Data:

Possible attendance for 2016/2017 = 100%

Whole School = 92.7%

Authorised Absence = 4.7%

Unauthorised Absence including absence in term time for holidays = 2.6%

Destination of Denbighshire School Leavers 2017 data provided by LEA :

Pupils leaving schools in Denbighshire County Council:-

- ◆ Continuing in full time education in School = 465
- ◆ Continuing in full time education in College = 551
- ◆ Continuing in part time education (less than 16hrs per week) = 10
- ◆ Work Based Training - non employed status = 22
- ◆ Employed - other = 19
- ◆ Not known to be education, training or employment = 12
- ◆ Known to have left the area = 6
- ◆ No response to survey = 6
- ◆ Total number in cohort for Year 11 Denbighshire secondary schools = 1091

The Aims of Rhyl High School—Equal Opportunities:

- ◆ Ensure that an inclusive ethos is established and maintained
- ◆ Ensure that the school is a place where everyone, irrespective of their age, disability, race, religion, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, family background and/or language feels welcomed and valued
- ◆ Ensure that all pupils and staff are encouraged to reach their full potential
- ◆ Protect the human rights of all pupils and staff, parents, governors and visitors to the School
- ◆ Prepare pupils for the challenges, choices and responsibilities of their living in a diverse society
- ◆ Empower pupils to participate in their communities as active citizens who take responsibility for themselves and each other

Rhyl High School Toilet Inspection Summary

January 2018

A recent toilet inspection took place on 8th January 2018.

Inspection Results

All toilets and washroom facilities in good working condition with no upgrades required. Touch up painting required to some areas and attention to water pressure is required on the ground and top floor.

An issue with drainage coming away from Ysgol Tir Morfa has been identified. Denbighshire County Council are currently looking into this as a defect.



Rhyl High School 5x60 January to April 2018

Activities planned:

January - April	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Astro	FOOTBALL 1 – Year 7 2 – Year 9	FOOTBALL 1 – Year 8 2 – Year 10,11	FOOTBALL 1 – Year 7 2 – Year 9 <i>Dance @ Dance studio</i>	FOOTBALL 1 – Year 8 2 – Year 10,11	FOOTBALL 1 – Year 7+8 mixed teams 2 – Year 9,10,11 Mixed teams
Sports Hall		<i>FOOTBALL GIRLS ONLY</i>			<i>GIRLS NETBALL NETBALL COURTS</i>
AFTER SCHOOL OL 3:00 – 4:00	NETBALL Year 7,8,9 Sports Hall	FOOTBALL Indoor YEAR 7+8 Play to latest music! Sports Hall / Astro Turf	FUN SWIM Boys and Girls ALL YEARS Swimming Pool 3:00pm – 3:45pm Register up-stairs	FOOTBALL Astro Turf	TENNIS Sports Hall
	Dodgeball Year 7,8,9 Gym Hall		<i>GCSE Club</i> YEAR 10,11	<i>GIRLS FOOTBALL</i> <i>School team training</i> ALL YEARS Astro Turf/ Sport Hall	6 A SIDE FOOTBALL LEAGUE Turn up and play Fixtures on night 4:30 – 6:30pm ASTRO TURF £1 per player

School Term Dates and School Session Times 2017 - 2018:

Term	Begin	Half-term	Begin	Half-term	Training Days
Autumn 2017	5th September - 22nd October	23rd—27th October	November - December	22nd December 9th January	1st and 2nd September, 6th November
Spring 2018	9th January—9th February	12th –16th February	19th February—23rd March	26th March-10th April	8th Jan 9th April
Summer 2018	10th April – 25th May	28th May– 1st June	4th June - 20th July	20th July - 4th September	3rd and 4th September

School Session times:-

School starts at 8.40am

Morning break 10.40am –10.55am

Lunch 12.55-13.55 (Registration 13.35-13.55-Years 7 and 8, 12.55-13.15 - years 9,10 and 11).

School ends - 14.55

Our Governing Body

NAME	GOVERNOR TYPE	EXPIRY DATE
CATHERINE PATTERSON	COMMUNITY	MARCH 2020
JEZ ROBERTS	COMMUNITY	JANUARY 2021
STEPHEN DALY	COMMUNITY	OCT 2020
JOHN CANNON	COMMUNITY	DEC 2021
MARK BUDD	COMMUNITY	MARCH 2020
WINIFRED MULLEN-JAMES	LEA	MARCH 2020
IAN HOWE	LEA	MARCH 2020
RICHARD GREENWOOD	LEA	DEC 2021
ANNE DOLLERY	LEA	OCT 2020
MARK PEARSON	LEA	OCT 2018
HAZEL EVANS	PARENT GOVERNOR	NOV 2018
MIKE HARRIS	PARENT GOVERNOR	MARCH 2020
WENDY JONES BOOTH	PARENT GOVERNOR	NOV 2021
CHRISTOPHER WINN	PARENT GOVERNOR	JAN 2018
CHRISTINE FOX	PARENT GOVERNOR	NOV 2021
EMMA PARRY	PARENT GOVERNOR	NOV 2021
CHRISTOPHER BUCKERIDGE	TEACHER	JUNE 2020
CHARLOTTE PILBEAM	TEACHER	MARCH 2020
JOANNE STEEL	SUPPORT STAFF	JUNE 2020
CLAIRE ARMITSTEAD	HEAD TEACHER	ROLLING MEMBERSHIP

You are most welcome to contact our Clerk at the school address, email or telephone number shown on the front page if you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor at Rhyl High School.

A meeting with Governors can be arranged by parents/carers if requested following guidelines set out by Governors Wales.

Review of school policies:

The Governing body is continually reviewing school policies on a rolling programme and over the last year a large number of policies were drawn up and approved. As they are agreed by the Governing Body, they are held at the school for anyone to access and are in the process of being added to our school website.

SEN:

A graduated response to pupils with special educational needs is followed in accordance with the Code of Practice which recognises that a response is made at the appropriate time and in the appropriate matter with no assumption that a pupil will be issued with a statement of special educational needs. Identification / School Action / School Action Plus /Statutory Assessment/ Making a Statement.

Changes to the School Prospectus:

The prospectus has been updated in the light of new guidance, including members of staff, new Governors, updates on our admissions procedures and absence requests during term time.

Resolutions:

There are no actions to be taken as a result of any resolutions passed at the last Governors' meeting.

Rhyl High School Financial Statement : 2016/17

LEA school budget allocation	£4,158,464
Other Income	£67,545
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	£4,226,009

Staffing costs	£3,532,989
Premises costs	£330,191
Supplies	£210,410
Agency/LEA costs	£533,826
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	£4,607,416

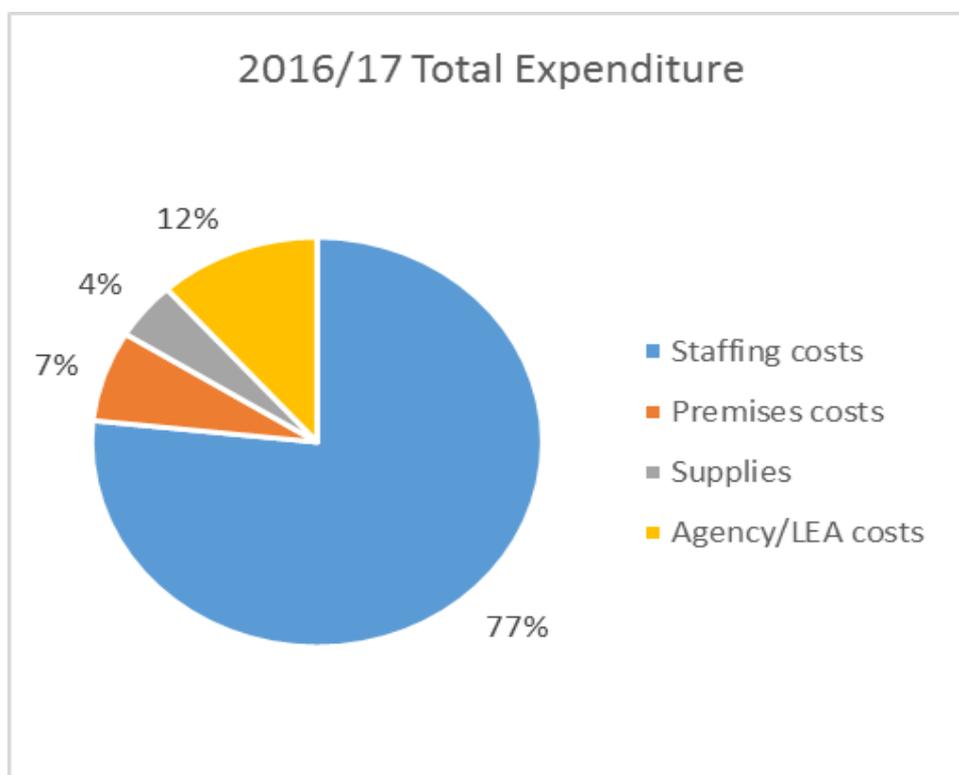
Annual surplus/-deficit -£381,407

Previous years balance	£102,506
Surplus/-deficit c/f	<hr/>
	-£278,901

Funding for increase in pupil numbers (£246,000) not received until following financial year 2017/18

Grant Expenditure 2016/17:

School Effectiveness Grant	£54,898
Pupil Development Grant	£274,850
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	£329,748





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Parent / Carer Questionnaire

As a parent/carer, please tell us what you think about the school.

Please read each sentence, think about your experiences as a **parent/carer**, and then tell us how much you agree by ticking the box that fits most appropriately.

If a statement does not apply to you, or you do not know about it, then please tick the 'Do not know' box.

Your individual responses will remain confidential.

Name of Parent/Carer (optional): _____

	Please select the most appropriate response	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Do not know
1	My child likes this school.					
2	My child was helped to settle in well when he/she started at the school.					
3	I believe my child is making good progress at school.					
4	I believe that my child is safe at school.					
5	I believe that pupils behave well in school.					
6	Other children do not bully my child.					
7	I believe that if any bullying, harassment or discrimination occurs, the school deals well with it.					
8	I believe that the quality of teaching is good.					
9	I believe that my child has good learning experiences, including educational trips and visits.					
10	I believe that staff expect my child to work hard and to do his/her best.					
11	I believe that staff treat all children fairly and with respect.					
12	I believe the school helps my child to understand how eating and drinking can affect their health.					
13	I believe my child has plenty of opportunities to get regular exercise at school.					
14	I believe the school helps my child to become mature and to take on responsibility.					
15	I believe that my child receives appropriate extra support when he/she needs it.					
16	I believe the school keeps me well informed about my child's progress.					
17	The school seeks my views as a parent/carer and considers the feedback that I provide about the school.					
18	If I share problems or issues with the school, it responds and deals with them appropriately.					
19	I believe that my child can access enough books and equipment at school to support their learning.					
20	I believe the school is well run and managed.					
21	I believe the school prepares my child well for moving on to the next school, sixth form, college or into employment					

If you wish to explain any of your responses or to add any further comments, please use this space and overleaf if necessary.

If you would like an appointment to discuss your comments please add your contact details here (please print)

Name: _____ Tel no: _____

Childs name and form so a letter can be sent if necessary: _____

Please return to the School Office by no later than Friday 29th June **2018**
Thank you for answering this questionnaire.