

Caerleon Comprehensive School  
Ysgol Gyfun Caerllion

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# CAERLEON COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL PROSPECTUS

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# WELCOME | CROESO



WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL

Caerleon Comprehensive School is a vibrant and successful school, offering a wide range of courses to students from the age of 11 to 18. We opened our doors in 1964 as Caerleon County Secondary Modern School, and since then have worked hard to provide our students with the best possible educational experience.

We have an experienced and dedicated team of teachers and staff, and are proud to offer our students a range of engaging and inspiring courses, activities and experiences. We are committed to helping our students realise their full potential and to provide them with the skills and knowledge they need to thrive in an ever-changing world.

Welcome to Caerleon Comprehensive School Prospectus.

We hope you can find much of the information here about our school, but please do navigate our website and our social media accounts also.

It is my privilege to be the Headteacher of such a special school. At Caerleon Comprehensive, we try very hard to instil in our students our motto of 'Maximising Potential'. For us, maximising potential is about students achieving their very best in every area of learning; whether that be in their subjects, sports or music for example.

What is also particularly important to us is that we support students to become well-rounded, healthy, happy individuals with a sound moral compass, who will leave us to go off and do good in the world.

We work closely with parents and carers to ensure that every student is able to maximise their potential in a happy, caring and disciplined environment.

We look forward to welcoming you to our annual open evening, where students and their families will be able to meet our experienced and caring staff and see for themselves the many opportunities we have to offer.

*Lucy Purcell*

Headteacher | Pennaeth

**NB:** Newport City Council is the Admissions Authority for all Council-maintained schools in Newport and all applications must be made directly to the authority.

# Our School Vision | Gweledigaeth Yr Ysgol

## Maximising Potential

At Caerleon Comprehensive School - students receive so much more than an ordinary education. We pride ourselves on creating a unique, exciting environment that embraces all types of learners and promotes growth both academically and personally. Students and families are also welcomed into a dynamic and supportive community.

### Our School Vision and Strategic Priorities:

#### 'Maximising potential'

Learning and Achievement:	We aspire for all learners to make progress in line with or above their stage of development and to be ambitious and capable. We aim for all learners to be particularly proficient in literacy, numeracy and digital competency in order to maximise their potential academically across the curriculum. Vulnerable learners receive an equitable approach, allowing them to make greater than expected progress.
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Wellbeing and Inclusion:	All learners feel safe, happy and included in school. We have clear, consistent and equitable systems and procedures to support them to ensure they are healthy, confident individuals both in school and throughout life.
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Teaching and Curriculum:	Teachers have excellent subject knowledge and deliver lessons that are innovative and focused on all learners maximising their potential in every lesson. The curriculum is broad, balanced and inclusive, preparing students to be enterprising, creative contributors, in school and later on in life.
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Enrichment and Citizenship:	There are many opportunities for students to learn what it means to be an ethical and informed citizen in a safe, organised and disciplined environment. Extra-curricular opportunities and opportunities for students to contribute to school life and the community are plentiful and equitable.
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Leadership:	All members of the school community embrace the school vision. Leaders and teachers understand the school's strengths and areas for development and embed clear strategies for improvement. Professional learning for staff is purposeful and effective, enabling the vision - 'Maximising Potential' to be fulfilled.
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• Available in Welsh on request.



# Pastoral Care | Gofal Bugeiliol

Pastoral care and good relationships are vital ingredients in getting the best out of students and allowing them to maximise their potential. The welfare of students is the prime concern of all our staff and the school has a carefully structured, successful pastoral care system. This is based around the form tutor who is involved with the students on a daily basis. Tutors are supported by Heads of Year, who have overall responsibility for the care and guidance of a particular year group.

The Head of Year 7 and an Assistant Headteacher are responsible for the transition from primary school, which includes visits and meetings for new students and their parents/carers. Every parent/carer and student therefore has access to staff who will listen to their concerns and who will be able to give assistance and advice.

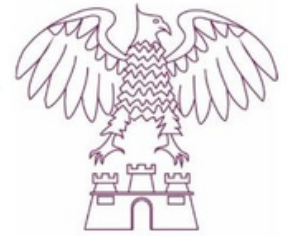
The school has an extensive pastoral system, which in addition to the Head of Year and Form Tutor involves an Additional Needs Learning Hub, and a pastoral support corridor. On this corridor students can find the members of the leadership team responsible for wellbeing and inclusion, alongside the Learning Support Base, the Reset Room, the Family Engagement Officer, the Pupil Assistance Leads and our Learning Coaches. All of these staff and support rooms are available to students based on referrals from teaching staff/Head of Year.

You can find our Conduct Code, which focuses on sanctions and rewards, on our website. You can also find our ALN and Inclusion policy on the website too.



# Caerleon Comprehensive School

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# Our School Day

Registration	08:45	09:00
Lesson 1	09:00	10:00
Lesson 2	10:00	11:00
Break	11:00	11:20
Lesson 3	11:20	12:20
Lesson 4	12:20	13:20
Lunch	13:20	14:05
Lesson 5	14:05	15:05

OUR SCHOOL DAY



# School Uniform | Gwisg Ysgol

## Years 7 - 11

- Grey skirt (logo preferred)
- Grey tailored trousers (no logo required)
- Grey tailored shorts (knee length - no logo required)
- Grey, black or navy socks/grey or black tights
- A pale blue shirt (a pale blue polo shirt can be worn in the summer term only - no logo required)
- A navy V neck sweater (logo preferred)
- The school tie (not needed with a polo shirt)
- A navy blue blazer with the school logo (optional)

## Sixth Form

- A black skirt (knee length - no logo required)
- Black tailored trousers (no logo required)
- Black socks/Black opaque tights
- A white shirt
- A black V neck sweater (no logo required)
- The school sixth form tie
- A black blazer (optional - no logo required)



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# PE kit | Cit Addysg Gorfforol

## Years 7 – 9

- A logoed white/black or black/white t-shirt or a plain white or plain black t-shirt (please note that the black t-shirt may be preferred by those who wear undergarments)
- Black shorts, either running or cycling style (optional to purchase with or without logo) or black leggings (optional to purchase with or without logo)
- A plain black quarter zip long sleeve top or a logoed quarter zip long sleeve top (logo preferred)
- White sport socks (for inside)
- Maroon football/rugby socks (for outside)
- A maroon rugby shirt for those who wish to play rugby
- Footwear: All students require trainers (indoor lessons) Plastic Studded boots (for outdoor lessons on grass and 3G pitch)
- NB: students can wear black skins under clothes in cold weather

## Years 10 and 11

- A logoed black t-shirt/plain black t-shirt
- A plain black quarter zip long sleeve top or a logoed quarter zip sleeve top (logo preferred)
- Black shorts, running or cycling style (optional to purchase with or without logo) or black leggings (optional to purchase with or without logo) or plain black tracksuit bottoms
- Footwear: All students require trainers (indoor lessons) Plastic Studded boots (for outdoor lessons on grass and 3G pitch)



**Use round plastic-studded footwear only**  
(no metal studs)



## **GCSE PE Candidates (Y10/11)**

- PE examination candidates (those who opt for GCSE PE in Y10/Y11) will purchase their exam practical kit from our client shop at Total Teamwear (see link below). You will receive a separate communication from the PE department about kit if your child opts for GCSE PE in Year 10. Please note that we can support parents/carers with obtaining this kit if necessary.





# Extra-Curricular Activities | Gweithgareddau All-Gyrsiol

Students are encourage to take part in the many extra-curricular activities which exist in school. There is a very strong tradition tradition of music at Caerleon Comprehensive. We have a full school orchestra, choirs, wind band, brass ensemble and big band.

Our musicians have achieved national success at the Music for Youth National Festival, including a performance at the Youth Prom in the Royal Albert Hall.

There is also a strong tradition of sporting excellence at Caerleon, and there are school teams in all major sports, organised in each year, and students are actively encouraged to participate. Many of our students gain representative honours at Newport County and national levels in a huge variety of sports. Our PE department take pride in knowing student's skills well and encouraging them to pursue sports and activities they may not have had experience of yet.

A wide variety of clubs associated with academic departments are also to be found. An up to date list, including days and times, can be found on the school website.

A number of educational trips are organised, including local, national and foreign visits to support work covered in the curriculum. Touring opportunities are also offered with the various sports teams. The trip overview on the website is a useful document to view in relation to trips and visits.

A large number of students participate in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. This involves completing four different sections: volunteering, physical activity, skills and expedition, all of which have their own challenges. The volunteering section in particular raises awareness of social responsibility with involvement in the local community. The school is committed to an extensive fund raising programme in support of local, national and international charities.

A number of whole school initiatives are organised throughout the year as well as individual and form group activities.



# Careers Education and Guidance | Addydg Gyrfaoedd a Arweiniad



At Caerleon Comprehensive School we emphasise the importance of preparing our students for the adult world, and to be able and qualified to play a part in the world of work. Careers education makes an important contribution to this preparation.

We pride ourselves on the excellent links we have with the wider community, including excellent links with Careers Wales. Our annual Career's Fair attracts over 80 outside agencies and students are well supported when it comes to making option choices in both Year nine and Year Eleven, in readiness for GCSEs and AS levels.

# Equality and Diversity | Amrywiaeth a Chydraddoldeb



It is very important to us at Caerleon Comprehensive School that we support and celebrate our diverse community. We want the best for every student and pay due regard to every student's ethnic background, religious beliefs, gender, sexual orientation, disabilities and social economic situation. We have an equitable approach to supporting our students at Caerleon Comprehensive to maximise their potential. We have taken the RADY pledge at our school, which means that we actively seek opportunities to offer extra support to learners who are disadvantaged economically. We aim to fulfil our Strategic Equality Plan by placing significant emphasis on the targets in this plan, through their inclusion in our School Development Plan. Caerleon Comprehensive School is committed to becoming a truly inclusive school. We are anti-racist and we will not tolerate any form of prejudice or discrimination in relation to any of the protected characteristics. Caerleon Comprehensive School is dedicated to providing an education and a community that supports the flourishing of people from every background.



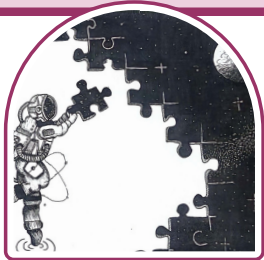
# Student Voice | Llaisy Dysgwr

It is very important to us at Caerleon Comprehensive School that we listen to our students.

The student council is an important group who meet to share the views of students within their year groups. We also have a Pride group who work with staff to ensure that the voices of our LGBTQ+ students are heard, as well as an Eco group who work to make our school more environmentally friendly.

Groups such as Criw Cymraeg and Digital Leaders help us to take forward strategies for improvement in the Welsh language and our Cynefin, as well as the digital competency of our community.

Every year our students complete the PASS survey, which allows us to understand how happy they are in school and the areas where we need to do better. We also undertake the SHRN survey at regular intervals.



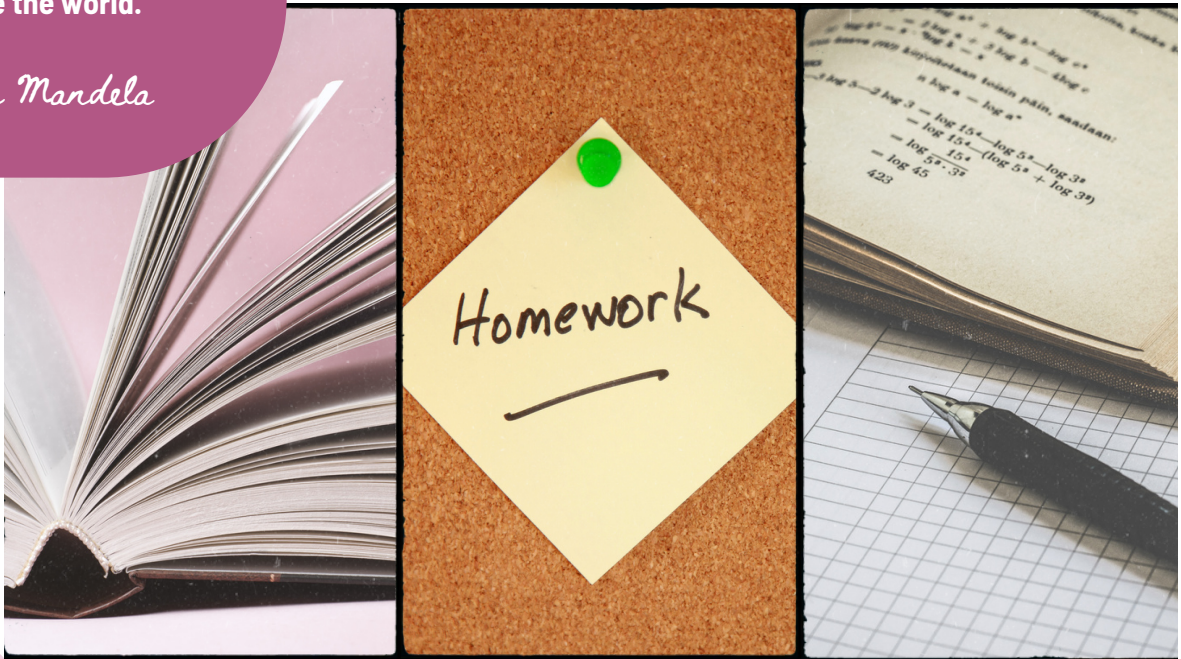
# Your VOICE MATTERS

# Homework | Gwaith Cartref

Students in years seven to nine are expected to complete regular activities to support their learning, such as reading their Accelerated Reader book for 25 minutes each evening, and completing regular maths fluency practice using their Sparks account. Homework for students in years ten-thirteen will be more bespoke, and based on the needs of the subjects they are studying. Parents/carers can find more details on homework through our homework policy on our website.

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.

*Nelson Mandela*



Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today.

*Malcolm X*



# Curriculum and Organisation | Trefn a Chwricwlwm



## Years Seven to Nine

From September 2023, both years seven and eight will follow the new Curriculum for Wales. This is based around the four purposes, aiming to ensure students become ambitious, capable learners; enterprising, creative contributors; ethical, informed citizens; and healthy confident individuals. Our curriculum is created around the cross cutting themes, which prepare students for life in a modern Wales. These themes are: Relationships and Sexuality education (RSE); Human Rights; Diversity; Careers and work related experiences; Local, National and international contexts. The curriculum is also based on several cross curricular skills frameworks: the literacy and numeracy framework and the digital competence framework. Our skilled teaching staff have worked collaboratively with each other and with other practitioners and leaders within Newport and Wales, to create a curriculum which is exciting, innovative and that teaches students what really matters.

From September 2024, year nine will also follow Curriculum for Wales,.

## Years Ten and Eleven

In year nine, students are able to select the subjects they wish to study at GCSE level. Many subjects remain compulsory, and are known as the core offer. For three of their choices however, students undertake a free choice survey, allowing them to choose the three non-core subjects they wish to opt for at GCSE level. This choice is guided to ensure that students still have a broad, balanced base from which to progress to AS and A2 Level studies and other Level 3 courses. Compulsory subjects include English, Maths, Science, Welsh, Welsh Baccalaureate Qualification, Physical Education and Religious Studies. These are supplemented by three other subjects of the students' choice. Setting by ability will take place at GCSE level, within core subjects and sometimes within non-core subjects also, depending on the nature of the subject. All students are expected to participate in external examinations at the end of the course

# Curriculum and Organisation | Trefn a Chwricwlwm



## Sixth Form

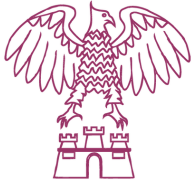
In year eleven, students are provided with guidance to allow them to select the subjects they wish to study within the Sixth Form. Sixth Formers have a selection of options to choose from for study at Caerleon, and we also work with Llanwern High School, so students can opt to study a variety of subjects at this establishment also. A school bus takes the students back and forth to any lessons taken at Llanwern High School.

In Caerleon Comprehensive, we have the ISCA pathway available to students, which involves:



Please note that we have a separate prospectus for our Sixth Form, providing you with more guidance on this crucial area of school life.





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# School Admissions Mynediadau Ysgol

Caerleon Comprehensive School operates under the Newport Local Education Authority's policy on admissions.

Students in their final year of primary school (Year 6) are invited to Caerleon Comprehensive School for a tour of the school and sample lessons in a variety of subjects. An Open Evening, to which parents and students are invited, is held in the Autumn term and there is a meeting for parents of new intake students in July.

## What is our PAN?

Published Admissions Number or PAN: 248 Per Year Group.

(This is the number of pupils that the school can admit into each relevant age group: Reception, year 7 and year 12)

## Who are our Cluster Primary Schools?

Our Cluster Primary Schools are:

- Caerleon Lodge Hill Primary School
- Charles Williams Church in Wales Primary School
- Langstone Primary School

## Our Catchment:

Every school in Newport serves a catchment area and every Newport address will fall within the catchment area of both an English-medium and a Welsh-medium school.

## Your catchment school is not automatically your nearest school

Check your catchment before making an application for school as you may not be eligible for home to school transport assistance.

If you decide not to apply for your catchment school at all, this could increase the chances of your child not being allocated a place at a school of your choice. You can check your catchment by visiting

<https://www.newport.gov.uk/en/Schools-Education/Schools/Catchment-Areas.aspx>

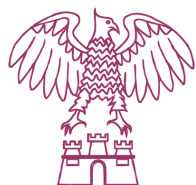


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# School Admissions Mynediadau Ysgol

## How to apply

### Admissions to Year 7:

Students transfer from primary to secondary school at the start of the school year in which they will reach their twelfth birthday. Parents can express a preference for any secondary school, but there is no guarantee of admission to the chosen school, even if it is the catchment school.

All completed application forms must be returned directly to the School Admissions Team at the Civic Centre, and not to the school. Applications for admissions can be completed online. Visit <https://www.newport.gov.uk/en/Schools-Education/Schools/Apply-for-a-place/Apply-for-a-Place.aspx> for further information.

### Mid-year Transfers:

Parents may wish to transfer their child from their existing school to Caerleon Comprehensive School during the academic year. Parents must complete the transfer request form obtained from the Admissions Team, or via the admissions website.

### Sixth Form Admissions:

Students apply following the Post 16 Open Evening. We welcome students from outside of our catchment that have studied GCSE elsewhere.

External applicants will be asked to fill out an application form which is available on our website. Students will need to provide proof of GCSE results when enrolling.

In order to embark upon a demanding programme of advanced study at Level 3, students should have achieved a good all round level of performance at GCSE. As such, the minimum requirement for consideration for Level 3 courses is five GCSE subjects at grade C or above, excluding short courses. It is to be noted that many subjects have individual requirements where a B or above is required to study the subject. Please check the latest requirements on our website.



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# Examination | Canlyniadau

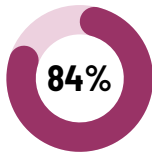
## RESULTS | ARHOLIADAU

EXAMINATION RESULTS

### Examination Results 2021



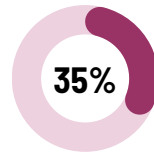
Achieved 5 or more GCSE grades at A\*/A



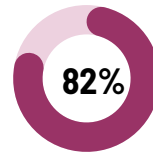
Achieved 5 or more GCSE (A\*-C, L2 Inclusive) including English and Maths



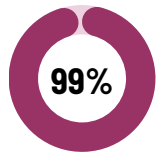
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Achieved 3 or more A Level grades at A\*/A

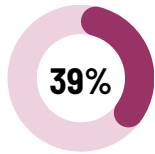


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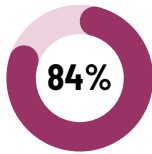


Achieved 3 or more A Level grades at A\*/E

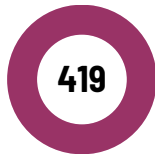
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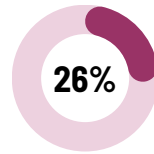
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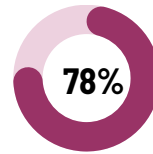
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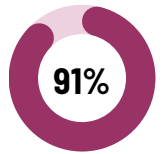
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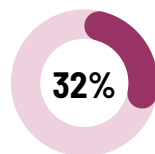


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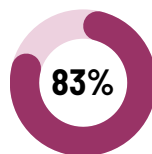


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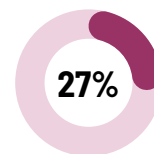
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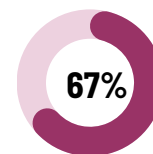
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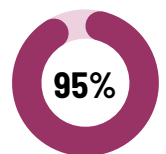
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