

Dear Parents and Carers,

An exciting opportunity: Opening the door to the Welsh language at Ysgol Bro Caereinion

*Would you like your child to develop into a fully bilingual learner?
Are you interested in providing your child with lifelong linguistic skills and the associated
benefits?*

We are writing with very exciting news about the future of education in north-east Powys. As an all-age school moving confidently along the language continuum, we are proud to announce that Ysgol Bro Caereinion will be introducing bespoke and effective 'Late Immersion' provision for Year 7 pupils from September 2026 onwards.

What is 'Late Immersion'?

This provision is specifically designed for pupils who are new to Welsh or who have not received Welsh-medium primary education. **It is never too late to start this journey.** Our provision will serve pupils in the north-east of the county, offering:

- **Expert Support:** Teaching by experienced teachers who specialise in introducing the language to beginners in an intensive yet supportive way, while also delivering subject knowledge and understanding.
- **A Caring and Supportive Environment:** An inclusive approach that builds pupils' confidence to communicate and learn other subjects through the medium of Welsh.
- **A Path to Fluency:** A structured plan that enables pupils to become fluent within a short period, opening doors to academic and personal success.

Why choose bilingualism?

We firmly believe that now is the best time to choose Welsh. Being bilingual / multilingual offers clear advantages:

- **Academic:** Research shows that learning a second language boosts cognitive ability and problem-solving.
- **Employment:** Bilingual/multilingual skills open doors to a wide range of jobs in Wales and beyond.

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- **Cultural:** It provides a strong sense of belonging and the opportunity to participate fully in our country's rich culture.

This is a historic period for Ysgol Bro Caereinion as we move towards becoming a Welsh-medium school. The door is not closed. We welcome applications from pupils transferring to Year 7 in September 2026.

If you have any questions, or if you would like to drop by to hear more about our provision and the opportunities available, you are very warmly invited to contact us. For further information on the application process visit [Applying for a School Place - Powys County Council](#) or contact admissions@powys.gov.uk.

We look forward to working closely with you as parents and carers as we step forward on this journey. Together, we can ensure a successful bilingual/multilingual future for our pupils.

Yours sincerely,



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