



**OLCHFA SCHOOL**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

**2021/2022**

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Dear Parent/Carer

This Annual Report of the Governing Body gives you a useful insight into some of the key features of the school and its performance. Please take the time to read it and absorb the detail.

You may also request a paper copy by contacting Mrs Jan Platt, Clerk to Governors on 01792 534345 or [jpt@olchfa.org.uk](mailto:jpt@olchfa.org.uk).

Hugh Davies  
Headteacher

### Mission Statement

The School's mission is defined by the School motto *Dysg Dawn Daioni (Learning Talent Goodness)*. We aim to provide a secure and caring learning environment in which all young people can achieve their full potential and where they can explore opportunities for involvement in both the school and its wider community. The School and Governors try to make this statement a reality through the twin themes of partnership and participation, working closely and actively with pupils, parents, the Local Authority and support agencies, local businesses and our local community.

At Olchfa we try to foster:

- respect and tolerance
- active participation in the life of the school through a wide range of extra-curricular activities
- spiritual awareness and shared values of care and concern
- a quality and demanding, inclusive learning environment in all subject areas
- academic achievement and endeavour
- the personal and social development of each pupil to prepare them for lifelong learning
- a commitment to the welfare, care and professional development of all colleagues.

## **Governing Body Meeting with Parents**

A letter from the Chair of Governors setting out how to request a meeting with the Governing Body was distributed to all parents/carers in October 2022. (No meeting with parents was requested/held in the academic year 2021/2022.)

**To: Parents/Carers of Pupils at Olchfa School**

### **Your right to request a meeting with the school's Governing Body**

The Schools Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 (The Act) removed the requirement for school governing bodies to hold an annual meeting with parents. Instead, new arrangements were introduced to enable parents to request up to three meetings in any school year with a governing body, on matters which are of concern to them.

If parents wish to use their rights under the Act to hold a meeting, four conditions will need to be satisfied:

#### **1. Parents will need to raise a petition in support of holding a meeting.**

The parents of at least 30 registered pupils will need to sign the petition. If it is a paper petition, then a written signature must be given as well as the name and class of each child who is a registered pupil at the school. If the petition is in electronic format, the 'signature' required is the typed name of the parent plus the name and class of each child who is a registered pupil at the school and the email address of each parent who 'signs' the electronic petition.

#### **2. The meeting must be called to discuss matters which affect the school**

The meeting cannot be called to discuss such matters as the progress of individual pupils, or to make a complaint against a member of the school's staff or governing body.

The petition should contain brief details of the matter(s) to be discussed, and the reasons for calling the meeting. This information should be clearly displayed at the top of the petition, with parents' signatures appearing below.

### **3. A maximum of three meetings can be held during the school year**

The law allows parents to use their rights to request up to three meetings with a school governing body during the school year.

### **4. There must be at least 25 school days left in the school year**

The law makes it a condition that at least 25 school days are left in the school year when the petition is received so that the meeting can be held.

A “school day” means a day when the school is open to pupils: it does not include weekends, public holidays, school holidays or INSET days.

The name/address for service of a petition requesting a meeting with this school’s governing body is:

Mrs Jan Platt  
Clerk to Governors  
Olchfa School  
Gower Road  
Sketty  
Swansea  
SA2 7AB

Email: [jpt@olchfa.org.uk](mailto:jpt@olchfa.org.uk)

Further advice on how parents can request a meeting with a governing body is available on the Welsh Government’s website.

Yours faithfully



**Cllr Mary Jones**  
**Chair of Governors**

## INTRODUCTION

Dear Parent/Carer

As Chair of the Governing Body, it is my pleasure once again to introduce this report to you.

We have again had a difficult year. Pupils came back to school in September with many restrictions in place. Unfortunately, that didn't stop some year groups having to be sent home to self-isolate.

We then had the fire-break at Half Term and then the school had to break up early for Christmas. Unfortunately, the break extended until Easter for many pupils.

Once again the school had to switch to online learning but this time with some live lessons. All the disruptions we have had has caused a lot of anxiety especially to those pupils in examination year groups. I would like to thank all staff and pupils for their commitment and resilience in getting through this difficult period.

We once again had to ensure that Year 6 pupils intending to come to Olchfa would be made to feel at ease and welcome to the school as they also missed their transition days.

These last two school years have been extremely difficult for everyone and I sincerely hope that when we return in September things will be a lot different.

Finally, I would like to thank my fellow Governors for their support, Mr Davies for his leadership throughout this pandemic and all the staff and pupils for helping to make Olchfa as safe and successful as possible throughout these challenging times.

I am proud to be Chair in a school that has shown so much commitment and dedication in dealing with all the issues that we have experienced over the year.

**Cllr Mary Jones**  
**Chair of Governors**

## **PARENT GOVERNOR**

It has been my pleasure to sit on the Governing Body at Olchfa School for just over three years, advocating parental voice in full governor meetings, sub working groups, matters of school policy, teaching and learning, care, support and guidance and when needed, to share any concerns or issues which may arise throughout the year with the governors. This commitment has been a great opportunity to play an active part of the schools working life, I have found it very rewarding both on a personal and professional level and have thoroughly enjoyed the time spent working alongside such devoted and accomplished teachers and leaders.

During my time as parent governor, I have seen, and worked with the school to manage and navigate some unprecedented challenges, and through each I can whole heartedly say that the priority and central focus has always been the pupils. Any decision, conversation, focus, priority or policy has had the wellbeing, learning and care of the pupils at its core. The school has had to respond at speed to many national reforms and changes from Welsh Government, and it is with great pride that I see first-hand how Olchfa continues to lead the way in many of its priority areas, through their vision, leadership, staff commitment and innovation.

The term of office for a parent governor is four years, and I am now nearing the end of my term. It has been a very rewarding experience, and I can honestly say to any parent wishing to work with such an inspirational school team – please go for it! As Seth Godin once said, ‘If you don’t know how it works, find out’.

**Suzi Smith**  
**Parent Governor**

## **ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS**

The school's designated Additional Learning Needs Coordinator is Mr Robert Williams (Senior Assistant Headteacher). He is assisted by Mrs Olivia Kennedy-Braddock (Learning Support Manager). We have a team of around 20 classroom-based Teaching Assistants, 4 Specialist Teaching Assistants, 2 Learning Coaches and a Specialist Teacher of the Deaf. We work in partnership with the Local Authority and have regular visits by the Behaviour Specialist Teacher, Educational Psychologist, Specialist Teacher for Speech, Language and ASD and other specialists.

The school continues to embed the new ALN Code for Wales within its ethos and systems. We are currently working on migrating pupils with Statement of SEN to the new Individual Development Plans (IDPs). In the 2022-23 academic year, this will happen for pupils in years 10 and 11.

The next stage of the migration to the new ALN system has been extended by the Welsh Government. The process of moving across to the new system should be complete by the end of the 2024-25 academic year.

The school liaises closely with colleagues in our partner primary schools to ensure that transition to secondary is as smooth as possible for pupils with ALN. However, we also attend review meetings at other primary schools across the city where pupils are coming to Olchfa for Year 7 and have known learning difficulties.

We have received a grant from the Local Authority to provide more facilities for pupils with social communication difficulties. We have used this money to construct a small sensory regulation room within our STF. This is a very useful space that will be a fantastic resource for our pupils.

Olchfa is proud of hosting the only Specialist Teaching Facility (STF) for deaf children in a Swansea secondary school. However, advances in hearing aid technology means that most deaf pupils across the city are educated in their local mainstream schools. We are therefore working with the Local Authority to consider the future direction of our STF as part of the wider re-organisation of provision across the city. This is a major project for the Local Authority that is likely to be in a development phase for some time.

The use of the school's Learning Centre continues to evolve to provide support to pupils for a wide range of reasons. Historically, this facility supported pupils at KS4 to maximise achievement. We are increasingly offering access to pupils at KS3 who may be facing a range of challenges including learning difficulties, social/emotional difficulties and anxiety. Interventions are helping to support attendance and achievement.

The school continues to have a team of Specialist Teaching Assistants to support pupils with dyslexia and to provide literacy, numeracy and speech and language support interventions. We have two qualified access arrangements assessors, to ensure that we are able to make appropriate reasonable adjustments for external examinations. We are working towards having a designated 'Neurodiversity Support Team' to support the needs of an increasingly broad spectrum of pupils who are neurodiverse. This is something that we hope to have published by the start of the next academic year. However, all teaching staff have been through the national autism awareness training resource.

Within staff development, ALN and inclusive teaching continues to be referenced frequently within training sessions. There is a far greater understanding of the range of learning needs and how best to support individual pupils in the classroom.

**Robert Williams**  
**Senior Assistant Headteacher and ALNCo**



## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The aim of Physical Education at Olchfa is to provide appropriate opportunities and experiences for individuals to achieve their optimum potential. Physical Education is primarily concerned with physical capabilities, but the associated aspects of knowledge and understanding are also vital components for all young people. Planning, performing and evaluating, therefore, are important and are pursued according to each individual's strengths.

Our objective in Physical Education is to encompass enjoyment and satisfaction and thereby encourage lifelong healthy habits whilst igniting a passion for sports and/or exercise within our pupils.

We play inter-school fixtures across the county and also enter national competitions. We regularly field A and B teams in each year group across sports such as football, rugby, netball, hockey, basketball, athletics, cross country, badminton, cricket, and rounders. Many of our individual players go on to represent county and district sides as well as some that achieve national representation.

The department runs an extensive programme of extra-curricular activities and encourages links with local sports clubs. We offer our Calon fitness suite to pupils on a daily basis, both before and after school, and also offer swimming lessons to pupils. We run a young ambassadors programme and also support pupils in completing officiating and coaching qualifications. We are also beginning to offer a mentoring and strength and conditioning programme to our county and national level pupils.

Now we seem to have come through the pandemic, we will soon be running sports trips and tours as we have done in the past. Smaller scale trips within Europe as well as further afield.

Sporting highlights and achievements are numerous and are celebrated and noted on a termly basis in school via our internationals board, our achievement wall, assemblies, our Twitter account, via the school website and the termly newsletter.

Here is the link to our Twitter account: <https://twitter.com/OlchfaPEdept>

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Community partnerships make a strong contribution to improving the standards and wellbeing of pupils. Community activities are being resumed following Covid-19, and we look forward to bringing you more information on how partnerships have been strengthened in the next Annual Report.

## COMMUNITY - FACILITIES HIRE

Many clubs and societies hire our facilities on a short-term and long-term basis. If you are interested in hiring our facilities, please visit the lettings page on the school website: <https://olchfa.schoolbookings.co.uk/>

## HEALTHY EATING & DRINKING

The food and drink provided in school can make a positive contribution towards giving children and young people a healthy, balanced diet and encouraging them to develop good eating habits. The aim is to achieve a whole-school approach towards healthy eating and to encourage healthy attitudes to food and drink from an early age. This is in line with the [Health and Well-being Area of Learning and Experience](#) within the new Curriculum for Wales.

We provide a breakfast service for pupils and staff from 8am every day and offer Year 7 pupils, who are eligible for FSM, a daily £1 allowance to use specifically for breakfast items. Currently, funding from Welsh Government allows us to provide all FSM pupils with supermarket vouchers to cover all school holiday periods, at a rate of £3.90 per pupil, per day.

As a school we mark and celebrate Healthy Eating Week annually. PowerPoint information is provided to all form tutors, to include tips, recipes and healthy eating information. The school catering outlets provide a special menu of the week and includes a range of different healthy dishes each day. The school offers a wide range of dietary options daily, as well as offering a range of Halal dishes. The full range of menus can be found here:

<https://www.olchfa.org.uk/page/?title=School+Meals%2FsQuid+Information&pid=89>

Water fountains are located throughout the school for pupils to access drinking water, or fill up their drinking bottle and water is provided free of charge in all dining halls at lunchtime.



## OLCHFA SCHOOL GOVERNORS 2022-2023

**Chair of Governors:** Cllr Mary Jones  
**Headteacher:** Mr Hugh Davies  
**Clerk to Governors:** Mrs Jan Platt

Correspondence for the attention of the Chair and Clerk should be forwarded to:  
 Olchfa School, Gower Road, Sketty, Swansea, SA2 7AB

TYPE OF GOVERNOR	NAME	DATE APPOINTED	DATE TERM EXPIRES
<b>LOCAL AUTHORITY</b>	Cllr M Day	28.10.2021	27.10.2025
	Mr J Ellis	23.5.2019	22.5.2023
	Cllr J Jones	3.8.2020	2.8.2024
	Cllr M Jones	26.2.2020	25.2.2024
	Cllr J Raynor	3.8.2020	2.8.2024
<b>PARENT</b>	Prof T Butt	3.11.2020	2.11.2024
	Prof A John	24.11.2021	23.11.2025
	Mrs H Philpott	8.6.2021	7.6.2025
	Mrs C Probert	5.12.2020	4.12.2024
	Mr D Rees	5.12.2020	4.12.2024
	Mrs S Smith	3.11.2020	2.11.2024
<b>COMMUNITY</b>	Dr M Basha	25.11.2020	24.11.2024
	Ms R Colasanto	24.2.2021	23.2.2025
	Mrs K Holland	24.11.2021	23.11.2025
	Mrs J Howells	1.9.2022	31.8.2026
	Mrs B Jones	3.9.2022	2.9.2026
<b>TEACHER</b>	Mr M Jones	3.9.2022	2.9.2026
	Mr I Stewart	16.11.2022	15.11.2026
<b>STAFF</b>	Mrs H Vincent	21.9.2022	20.9.2026
<b>HEADTEACHER</b>	Mr H Davies	1.9.2021	31.8.2025

## FULL GOVERNING BODY

Dr Mahaboob Basha	Mrs Jennifer Howells	Mrs Charlotte Probert
Prof Tariq Butt	Prof Ann John	Cllr Jennifer Raynor
Ms Rosina Colasanto (Vice Chair)	Mrs Beverley Jones	Mr Damian Rees
Mr Hugh Davies	Cllr Jeff Jones	Mrs Suzi Smith
Cllr Mike Day	Cllr Mary Jones (Chair)	Mr Ian Stewart
Mr James Ellis	Mr Matthew Jones	Mrs Hannah Vincent
Mrs Karen Holland	Mrs Helen Philpott	

## MAIN GOVERNING BODY COMMITTEES

<b>Care, Support and Guidance</b> <i>Tracking, monitoring, provision of Learning Support, Personal Development</i>		
Prof Tariq Butt	Prof Ann John	Mr Damian Rees
Ms Rosina Colasanto	Mrs Beverley Jones (Chair)	Mrs Suzi Smith
Mr Hugh Davies	Cllr Jeff Jones	Mr Ian Stewart
Cllr Mike Day	Mr Matthew Jones	Mrs Hannah Vincent
Mr James Ellis	Mrs Helen Philpott	
Mrs Karen Holland	Mrs Charlotte Probert	

<b>Teaching and Learning Experiences Committee</b> <i>Quality of teaching, breadth, balance and appropriateness of curriculum, provision for skills</i>		
Prof Tariq Butt	Mrs Beverley Jones	Mrs Suzi Smith (Chair)
Mr Hugh Davies	Cllr Mary Jones	Mr Ian Stewart
Mrs Jennifer Howells	Cllr Jennifer Raynor	

<b>Finance and Resources Committee</b> <i>Use of resources</i>		
Ms Rosina Colasanto	Mrs Beverley Jones	Ian Stewart
Mr Hugh Davies	Cllr Jeff Jones	
Mrs Karen Holland (Chair)	Mr Matthew Jones	
Mrs Jennifer Howells	Cllr Jennifer Raynor	

<b>Premises, Health and Safety, Educational Visits</b> <i>Issues relating to the school's premises, grounds and extended facilities</i>		
Ms Rosina Colasanto	Cllr Jeff Jones	Mr Damian Rees
Mr Hugh Davies	Cllr Mary Jones	Mr Ian Stewart
Mrs Karen Holland	Mr Matthew Jones	
Mrs Jennifer Howells (Chair)	Cllr Jennifer Raynor	

<b>Staffing and Personnel Committee</b> <i>Staff provision, learning and development, selection, appointment, reduction, pay and performance management</i>		
Ms Rosina Colasanto	Mrs Karen Holland	Mr Matthew Jones
Mr Hugh Davies	Mrs Jennifer Howells	Mr Ian Stewart
Cllr Mike Day	Mrs Beverley Jones	Mrs Hannah Vincent
Mr James Ellis	Cllr Mary Jones (Chair)	

Full Governing Body meetings take place at least once a term (usually twice). The Committees above are usually scheduled to meet at least once a term. The Committees below meet as and when necessary.

<b>Staff Disciplinary and Dismissal Committee (Statutory)</b> <b>Quorum: 3</b>
AGM agreed 21 September 2022 that any Governor (excluding the Chair) who was not a member of the school's staff could be called upon to sit on this Committee. <b>Training is required for all Governors.</b>

<b>Staff Disciplinary and Dismissal Appeals Committee (Statutory)</b> <b>Quorum: 3</b>			
Ms Rosina Colasanto	Mr James Ellis	Cllr Jeff Jones	
Cllr Mike Day	Mrs Jennifer Howells	Cllr Mary Jones	

<b>Pupil Discipline and Exclusions Committee (Statutory)</b> <b>No of Members required: 5 minimum, quorum: 3</b>			
Dr Mahaboob Basha	Cllr Mike Day	Cllr Jeff Jones	Mr Damian Rees
Ms Rosina Colasanto	Mrs Karen Holland	Mrs Charlotte Probert	Mrs Suzi Smith

<b>Appointments Committee (Headteacher)</b> <b>Appointment Panel to be between 3 and 7 members</b>			
Dr Mahaboob Basha	Mr James Ellis	Cllr Jeff Jones	Mrs Suzi Smith
Ms Rosina Colasanto	Mrs Karen Holland	Cllr Mary Jones	

<b>Appointments Committee (Deputy Headteacher)</b> <b>Appointment Panel to be between 3 and 7 members</b>			
Ms Rosina Colasanto	Mr Hugh Davies	Cllr Mary Jones	

<b>Headteacher's Pay and Performance Management Committee</b>			
Ms Rosina Colasanto	Mrs Jennifer Howells	Cllr Mary Jones	

<b>Headteacher's Pay and Performance Management Appeal Committee</b>			
AGM agreed 21 September 2022 that any appropriate Governor could be called upon to sit on this Committee.			

<b>Pay and Performance Review Committee (Staff)</b>			
Mr James Ellis	Mrs Jennifer Howells	Cllr Mary Jones	Cllr Jennifer Raynor

<b>Pay and Performance Review Appeals Committee (Staff)</b>			
AGM agreed 21 September 2022 that any appropriate Governor could be called upon to sit on this Committee.			

<b>Complaints Committee</b> <b>Membership: at least 3</b>			
Ms Rosina Colasanto	Mrs Karen Holland	Cllr Mary Jones	Mrs Suzi Smith
Cllr Mike Day	Mrs Jennifer Howells	Cllr Jeff Jones	

<b>Staff Grievance Committee</b> <b>Membership: at least 3</b>			
AGM agreed 21 September 2022 that any appropriate Governor could be called upon to sit on this Committee.			

<b>Grievance Appeals Committee</b> <b>Membership: at least 3</b>			
AGM agreed 21 September 2022 that any appropriate Governor could be called upon to sit on this Committee.			

<b>Capability Committee</b> <b>Membership: at least 3</b>
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AGM agreed 21 September 2022 that any appropriate Governor could be called upon to sit on this Committee.
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<b>Capability Appeals Committee</b> <b>Membership: at least 3</b>
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AGM agreed 21 September 2022 that any appropriate Governor could be called upon to sit on this Committee.
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<b>General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) Committee</b> <b>Membership: at least 3</b>
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Mr James Ellis (Chair)	Mr Matthew Jones		
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## School Term and Holiday dates 2022-2023

Term	Term begins	Term Ends	Mid-term holiday		Term begins	Term ends	Total days
			Begins	Ends			
<b>Autumn 2022</b>	Monday 5 September	Friday 28 October	Monday 31 October	Friday 4 November	Monday 7 November	Friday 23 December	75
<b>Spring 2023</b>	Monday 9 January	Friday 17 February	Monday 20 February	Friday 24 February	Monday 27 February	Friday 31 March	55
<b>Summer 2023</b>	Monday 17 April	Friday 26 May	Monday 29 May	Friday 2 June	Monday 5 June	Monday 24 July	65
<b>Total</b>							195

<p><b>Bank Holidays</b>            Bank Holiday (HM Queen's funeral) – Monday 19 September 2022            Good Friday – Friday 7 April 2023            Easter Monday – Monday 10 April 2023            May Bank Holiday – Monday 1 May 2023            Bank Holiday (Coronation) – Monday 8 May            Spring Bank Holiday - Monday 29 May 2023</p>	<p><b>INSET Days</b>            Monday 5, Tuesday 6 and Wednesday 7 September            Monday 9 January            Monday 24 July</p>
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## School Term and Holiday Dates 2023-2024

Term	Term begins	Term Ends	Mid-term holiday		Term begins	Term ends	Total days
			Begins	Ends			
<b>Autumn 2023</b>	Friday 1 September	Friday 27 October	Monday 30 October	Friday 3 November	Monday 6 November	Friday 22 December	76
<b>Spring 2024</b>	Monday 8 January	Friday 9 February	Monday 12 February	Friday 16 February	Monday 19 February	Friday 22 March	50
<b>Summer 2024</b>	Monday 8 April	Friday 24 May	Monday 27 May	Friday 31 May	Monday 3 June	Friday 19 July	69
<b>Total</b>							195

<p><b>Bank Holidays</b>            Good Friday – Friday 29 March 2024            Easter Monday – Monday 1 April 2024            May Day Holiday – Monday 6 May 2024            Spring Bank Holiday – Monday 27 May 2024</p>	<p><b>INSET Days</b>            Friday 1 September 2023            Monday 4 September 2023            Friday 27 October 2023            Monday 8 January 2024            Friday 19 July 2024            One further day to be confirmed</p>
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## THE DAILY SCHEDULE AT OLCHFA

The School operates a 50 period fortnight with a split break and lunch period.

### The School Day

<b>Registration period/Assembly</b>	8.35 am – 9 am
<b>Lesson 1</b>	9 am – 10 am
<b>Lesson 2 and break</b>	10 am-11.20 am <i>10-10.30 am break for Years 7, 8, 9</i> <i>11-11.20 am break for Years 10, 11, 12, 13</i>
<b>Lesson 3</b>	11.20 am - 12.20 pm
<b>Lesson 4 and lunch</b>	12.20 pm – 2 pm <i>12.20 pm - 1.05 pm lunch for Years</i> <i>1.15 pm – 2 pm lunch for Years</i>
<b>Lesson 5</b>	2 pm – 3 pm

**STATEMENT OF ACTUAL EXPENDITURE,**

**SCHOOL: OLCHFA COMP**

**STATEMENT OF ACTUAL EXPENDITURE 2021/22 FINANCIAL YEAR**

	Delegated Expenditure £	Non- Delegated Expenditure £	Total Net Expenditure £
Teachers Salaries	5,685,192	124,340	5,809,531
Salaries	1,703,437	-280	1,703,157
Other Employee Costs	2,541		2,541
Premises	955,381		955,381
Transport	12,978		12,978
Supplies & Services	961,271		961,271
Recharges	147,653	4,664	152,317
<b>Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>9,468,452</b>	<b>128,725</b>	<b>9,597,177</b>
Grant Income	-1,225,377		-1,225,377
Other Income	-625,537		-625,537
<b>Gross Income</b>	<b>-1,850,914</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-1,850,914</b>
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>7,617,539</b>	<b>128,725</b>	<b>7,746,263</b>

<b>RESERVES:</b>	<b>£</b>
FINAL FORMULA ALLOCATION:	8,213,197
TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE:	7,617,539
<b>TRANSFER TO / (FROM) RESERVES:</b>	<b>595,658</b>
OPENING BALANCE ON RESERVES 01/04/21	899,948
<b>CLOSING BALANCE ON RESERVES: 31/03/22</b>	<b>1,495,606</b>

## DESTINATION OF LEAVERS 2022 COHORT

Year 11	
Year 12	149
FE	107
Training	3
Apprenticeship	2
HE	1 (Foundation degree at Swansea University)
Out of Wales	2
Year 12	
Year 13	189
FE	18
Repeating Yr 12	7
Apprenticeship	1
Full time work	1
Year 13	
HE	193
FE	12
Full/part time work	22 (including gap year work)
Apprenticeship	3
Yr 13 repeating the year	2
Unemployed	9
Out of Wales	1
Situation Unknown	11 (no response to contact)

### SCHOOL PROSPECTUS

The school prospectuses are published on our website.

### LANGUAGE MEDIUM OF THE SCHOOL

The language which is used as the medium of instruction and the normal business of Olchfa School is English.

### USE OF THE WELSH LANGUAGE AT OLCHFA

- a) Welsh is only the prime language of instruction in Welsh lessons where it is reinforced with English in line with best practice.
- b) Welsh is not the usual language of communication in the school. It is instead used incidentally.
- c) The study of Welsh is compulsory to the age of 16.

d) Welsh plays a full part in the transition programme at the school and is taught until the age of 16, except in the case of formal disapplication.