

MOVING YGG LLYN Y FORWYN



TO A NEW BUILDING

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG
PEOPLE'S VERSION**



WHAT AM I BEING TOLD?

**We want to talk to you about
some exciting new changes
that might be happening to
your school.**



ABOUT YOUR SCHOOL

YGG Llyn y Forwyn is a Welsh school in Darran Terrace, Ferndale.

It is a school big enough for 197 children and at the moment, 156 children go to the school, with an extra 26 children in the nursery.



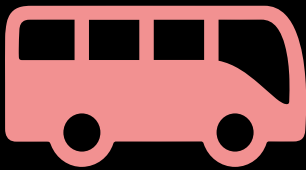
WHY DOES THE SCHOOL NEED TO CHANGE?



It is an old school with lots of steps and a steep, sloping yard. It is hard for some people to get to the school, so we'd like to give you a school with no steps so that everyone can get to it.



If you want play football and netball you have to use the park. We'd like to give you a school with a flat yard so that you can play ball games outside.



There is no car park for your teachers, and there is no special place for the buses to drop you off. We would like to give you a school that is easy to get to.



We'd like to give you new and colourful classrooms for you to learn in with new computers. We'd like to give your teachers modern places to teach and a new staff room.



WHAT CHANGE IS HAPPENING?

The new school will be a little bit bigger than your school and it will be big enough for 210 pupils. We hope that more children will want to come to this new school and learn Welsh.



NEW LOCATION

We'd like to build you a new school and play area on the 'Chubb Factory' site.



LOOKING AT THE CHOICES



We thought about not changing your school



How would this help?

The school would stay the same for you



How would this NOT help?

Some parts of your school need to be fixed



We thought about building a new school in the same place that your school is in now



How would this help?

This choice would mean your journey to school would stay the same



How would this NOT help?

This choice would've disturbed your learning and you'd still have lots of steps and a sloping yard

SO, WE DECIDED THE BEST CHOICE WAS TO BUILD A NEW SCHOOL IN A NEW PLACE

How would this help?



A flat yard



Colourful new classrooms



A new staffroom for the teachers



A bus stop for buses to drop you off



More modern things in the school for you all to enjoy

How would this NOT help?



The school will be in a different place which means some of you will take longer to get to school, but some of you will get to school quicker



WHAT WILL THE NEW SCHOOL LOOK LIKE AFTER THE CHANGES?

The new school will have:

-  **Modern, and colourful areas for all learners**
-  **A new hall/dining area**
-  **A new library**
-  **Great outside spaces like an outdoor classroom and a 'forest schools' area**
-  **A special bus stop where the bus can drop you off and pick you up**
-  **A car park for the staff**

We don't have any plans to show you yet, but here are some photos of other new schools





WHAT ELSE DO WE WANT TO DO?

We want to look at how safe the routes to the new school are. If we need to, we will make the walkways better, we will create new road crossings and make the traffic slower and safer by putting in speed humps or signs to make sure everyone follows the road safety rules.





HOW DOES THIS HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH ME?

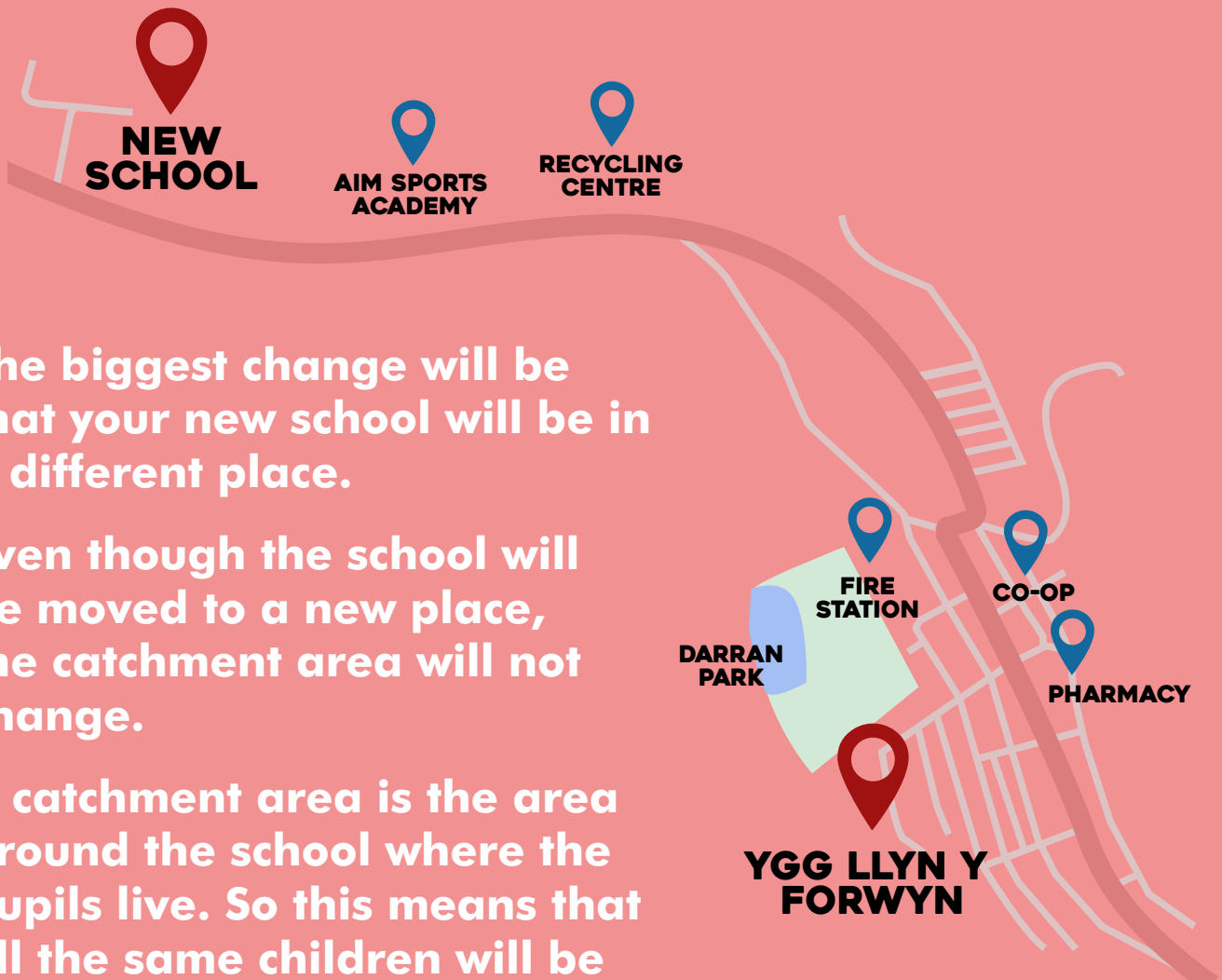
We don't think that these changes will be bad for you, we think that the changes are good, but we want to know what you think. We think that the changes will be good for your learning. You might find that you learn more because of the modern building and the new things in it

WELSH LANGUAGE:

You will still learn in Welsh, this will not change as this is very important. We think the changes will give more children a chance to learn Welsh.



TRANSPORT



The biggest change will be that your new school will be in a different place.

Even though the school will be moved to a new place, the catchment area will not change.

A catchment area is the area around the school where the pupils live. So this means that all the same children will be able to go to the new school.

The Council will carry on sending buses for pupils to catch to get to school, even though the school will be in a different place.

If some pupils live nearer to the school because of the changes, then they may need to walk to school instead.

If some pupils take longer to get to the new school because of the changes, then they may need to start catching the bus instead of walking.



SO, WHAT HAPPENS NOW?

None of these changes have been decided yet so for now your school will stay the same.

So we want to know what you think about these changes if they were to happen. You can take part and let us know what you think by April 30th 2021.

We want to hear about your questions and comments. They can be good or bad we just want to know.

You can let us know by emailing schoolplanning@rctcbc.gov.uk. You can ask for help to get in touch with us from your teachers or parents/careers.

Once you've told us what you think, a decision will be made on whether we move forward with the plans for the new school.

If a decision is made to move forward with the plans for a new school then you will be able to get back in touch with us and let us know if you do not want these changes to happen. We will let you know when it is time for you to do this.

You will need to write a letter or email and send it back to us, telling us why you don't want the changes to happen. You will have 28 days to do this and I'm sure your teachers and parents/carers will help you to do this.

LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK

We want to hear from you!

**We really want to know what you think
about our plans to change your school.**

**Speak to your teachers or parents/carers
and they will help you**

Email us at schoolplanning@rctcbc.gov.uk

Questions

Question 1:

We plan to move YGG Llyn y Forwyn to a new building built on a new site

Do you agree with this change?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Let us know why you have made this choice:

Question 2:

Do you think this change will help people learn and use the Welsh language?

Do you agree with this change?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Let us know why you have made this choice:

Question 3:

Do you think the changes that might be made to your school treats the English language better than the Welsh language?

Do you agree with this change?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Let us know why you have made this choice:

Question 4:

How do you think we could make the good impacts on the Welsh language better and the bad impacts smaller?

Let us know what you think:

Question 5:

If you have anything else to say, please let us now here:



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