



CARDIFF COUNCIL

SCHOOL STANDARDS AND ORGANISATION (WALES) ACT 2013

PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH NURSERY PROVISION AT YSGOL GYMRAEG COED-Y-GOF

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Section 42 of the Schools Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 and the School Organisation Code, that Cardiff Council (herein after 'the Authority'), having consulted such persons as appeared to them to be appropriate, propose to:

- extend the age range of Ysgol Gymraeg Coed-Y-Gof, Beechley Drive, Pentrebane, Cardiff, CF5 3SG from 4-11 to 3-11 by establishing a Welsh-medium nursery unit as part of the school from September 2026.

The school is currently maintained by Cardiff Council.

The Authority undertook a period of consultation before deciding to publish this proposal. A consultation report containing a summary of the issues raised by consultees, the Local Authority's responses and Estyn's full response is available to view at:

[Agenda for Cabinet on Thursday, 18th September, 2025, 2.00 pm : Cardiff Council](#)

It is proposed to provide 24 part time equivalent (PTE) nursery places. This will enable up to 24 children aged 3-4 (from the term following their third birthday) to receive part time nursery education at the school.

The proposed change would be implemented from September 2026.

The number of pupils able to be admitted to the school in Reception at age 4 or 5 in the first school year in which the proposal to open the nursery is implemented will remain at 60.

Cardiff Council as the Local Education Authority will be the admissions authority.

Ysgol Gymraeg Coed-Y-Gof will remain a community school and will continue to be admit pupils of both sexes.

Parents of children who are admitted for nursery education will still need to apply for a place at the relevant school if they want their child to transfer to the Reception class. Attendance at the nursery will not guarantee admission to the school.

Any arrangements for the transport of pupils will be made in accordance with the Authority's existing policies on school transport. The Authority's transport policy for school children can be viewed on the Council's website www.cardiff.gov.uk

Within a period of 28 days of the date of publication of these proposals, that is to say by 27 October 2025, any person may object to these proposals.

Objections should be sent to the Director of Education and Lifelong Learning, Cardiff Council, County Hall, Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff CF10 4UW.

Objections may also be sent to the Director of Education and Lifelong Learning, Cardiff Council using the following e-mail address: SchoolResponses@cardiff.gov.uk

Please note that any such objection must contain the full name and postal address of the objector.

The Authority will publish a summary of any such objections made (and not withdrawn in writing) within the objection period, together with their observations thereon, before the end of 7 days beginning with the day the proposal is determined.

Dated this 30th day of September 2025

Signed:



Debbie Marles
Director Governance & Legal Services

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This does not form part of the Notice but is intended to explain its general meaning)

Children in Cardiff can attend a part-time nursery place in school from the start of the term after their third birthday. They must attend the nursery class for at least five half days a week.

There are no catchment areas for nursery classes.

Nursery classes accommodate a 'Rising 4' cohort in the autumn term and admit a further cohort of children in January (those that reached the age of 3 in the autumn term) and another cohort in April (those who reached the age of 3 in the spring term).

It is proposed to establish a 24-part time place nursery at Ysgol Gymraeg Coed-Y-Gof from September 2026.

This will enable up to 24 children aged 3-4 (from the term following their third birthday) until they enter a Reception class) to receive part time nursery education at Ysgol Gymraeg Coed-Y-Gof. Attendance at the nursery will not guarantee a child a Reception class place in the school.

The admissions criteria for the nursery and school will be made available as part of Cardiff Council's "Admissions to Schools" booklet.

The Council does not provide free transport for nursery pupils and only provides transport for statutory school age pupils who live more than the statutory distance



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requirements for the age of pupils, and who are attending their nearest appropriate school for their home address.

The nursery class would be established within existing buildings, requiring minimal adaptation and resourcing to extend the age range. There is a double demountable unit located in a secure area with Reception and Year 1 with suitable facilities including shared areas and external entrance and exits for drop off and pick which could accommodate nursery provision at the school.