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Names of Partnership Schools	
Newbridge School	Pentwynmawr Primary
Tynwydd Primary	Abercarn Primary
Crumlin High Level Primary	Cwmcarn Primary
Pantside Primary	

Context:

This Cluster Plan has been written in partnership with all the above schools and their Governing Bodies. The first pupil cohort it applies to is the Y6 as of September 2022 who will transition to Y7 in September 2023. The plan will be reviewed at meetings with an annual review and in line with guidelines. More detailed information can be accessed through the grant plan.

It has been drafted with reference to:

- The Common Inspection Framework
- Estyn
- LA, EAS and National Priorities
- School Priorities
- The Transition from Primary to Secondary School (Wales) Regulations 2022

It is designed to ensure effective transition including:

- The proposals for managing and co-ordinating the transition of pupils from the feeder primary schools to the secondary schools.
- The proposals for how continuity of learning will be achieved through curriculum design and planning for teaching and learning for pupils in Y6 moving to Y7.
- The proposals for how each individual pupil's progression will be supported as they transition from primary to secondary school.
- The proposals for how the learning needs and the well-being of each individual pupil will be supported as they transition from primary school to secondary school.



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- It takes into account the needs of all pupils and specific groups of learners (ALN, MAT, FSM, LAC, EAL, Gender)

All schools are with the EAS Consortium.

Review:

The plan will be monitored and evaluated within the cluster by Headteachers during every half termly cluster Headteacher Meeting. This will include feedback from other groups working on aspects of the plan such as the Welsh Strategic Group, ALN cluster and Assessment and Progression Cluster work. This cluster plan will also be reviewed annually by Governors. Newbridge will talk to Y7 learners and seek their views on how the transition plan has helped etc.

Newbridge High School will analyse pupil progress termly in Y7.

Cluster Priorities

1. To ensure consistency in teacher assessment in light of the new curriculum and assessment arrangements.
2. Ensure transition arrangements support all pupils including specific groups of learners.
3. To promote positive attitudes to health and well-being through transition activities.
4. To promote opportunities for continuity of learning from Y6 into Y7.
5. To evaluate transition arrangements.

Action	Success Criteria	Responsibility	Timescale	Resources, Training and Costing	Monitoring, Evaluation and Review
Continuity of Learning and Pupil Progression	All schools in the cluster up to date with	Curriculum			Feedback to all



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PL leads within each school to attend all EAS and LA briefings and feedback to whole staff. Establish a timetable of cluster meetings to discuss and agree processes and assessment. All schools to contribute to the professional learning and the process. Cluster working to develop school based assessment strategies that will feed into a cluster assessment strategy to aid transition to Secondary School.	development in Curriculum for Wales and Professional Learning. Outcomes across all partner schools. Outcomes evaluated by all staff in partner schools. Regular HT meetings, half termly to have progression and curriculum as standing item.	Leads PL Leads G Roden Cluster HT			schools Minutes of meetings
Y7 staff to be involved in Y6 Primary Pupil progress meetings to further understanding of learner strengths and next steps in their learning.	Pupil progression will be supported as they move from Y6 to Y7.	Cluster HTs	Autumn year 6, spring year 5 and summer year 4.		
Y7 HoY/ALNCO to be invited to any PCP meetings involving learners transitioning to Y7 in 2023.	Pupil progression will be supported as they move from Y6 to Y7.	Cluster HTs	Ongoing		
Y6 staff to share attainment data with Newbridge in a form agreed by Cluster Heads	Y7 staff have an understanding of pupil progress.	Y6 Staff and Newbridge HoY Y7	June/July 2024		



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Transition Activities Comprehensive programme of Transition Activities to be devised annually – dependent of the level of risk within the Covid Management Framework	Effective integration of all pupils from all partner and wider schools to their chosen Secondary provider. Open evening for all prospective Y6 learners to visit the school. HT of Newbridge Comprehensive school to visit all year 6 children at their primary school in autumn half term. Year 6 children to highlight a selection of questions and concerns about moving to the school and HT to bring a selection of pupils to the primary schools to answer the questions and ease any concerns and fears. Schedule reflects a wide range of	HT and Newbridge pupils Cluster HTs Cluster HTs	Autumn 2023 October 2023 Transition days - to be confirmed	As agreed per school Refer to grant plans	



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	opportunities to participate in and enjoy e.g. watching performance, end of year concerts. Opportunities for cluster working through a range of sporting events i.e. Cluster Sports Day/Competitions. All learners have the opportunity to visit the school through common transition day. Newbridge to provide parental information evening in Autumn Term. Activities provide (during transition day) new learning opportunities and allow pupils to develop socially in the context of a secondary school including all schools moving up day. Well-being of all learners is shared between primary and secondary school, including a number of categories. Each learner assigned a form tutor and progress leader.	Cluster HTs	Summer 2024 Summer 2024- dates set in Autumn 2023		
Specific Groups Of Learners To ensure enhanced transition arrangements are in place for vulnerable learners	Specific groups of learners carefully supported through the transition process. Greater awareness of ALN/ safeguarding	HTs and ALN co-ordinators, Y7 HoY	From Jan 2024 onwards	No cost	



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	administration procedures. To use EDUKEY to support and share transitional information including THRIVE data. Enhanced transition meetings between primary and secondary staff early in Spring term to ensure enhanced transition is a longer process. Enhanced transition includes a series of visits for learners to Newbridge, for staff from Newbridge to visit learners in their setting, for meetings with parents/carers to be arranged if necessary. Newbridge staff invited to Y5 Transition reviews for learners with more complex needs, not necessarily ALN, where it is likely pupils will transition to Newbridge.				
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Action	Success Criteria	Responsibility	Timescale	Resources, Training and Costing	Monitoring, Evaluation and Review
Collaborative working/Continuity of Learning Welsh Strategic Cluster Lead and each school's Welsh Lead to meet half-termly to share and discuss ideas in relation to pedagogy and practices in light of new	Ensure that Welsh Language is at the heart of the school's ethos and strategic development. Support other practitioners in developing their own welsh language skills in accordance with the Professional Standards.	Welsh Strategic Lead AOLE leads within LLC for Welsh	Meeting dates have already been set and shared with leads	Cover staff - release time from the £3000 related grant.	



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curriculum changes. Focus on Continuity of Teaching – LLC Welsh- will develop further depending PL role. See Appendix below: Primary Staff to make links with secondary colleagues where support is needed to further challenge MAT learners.	Sharing of good practise of other AOLE between cluster primary schools and cluster secondary - LLC and M and N Secondary teachers to have opportunities to collaborate feeder primaries linked into AOLE areas and primary teachers to visit Y7 lessons . Sharing of pedagogy to focus on STEM and Humanities Develop relationships further between cluster colleagues – informal activities for staff from both schools.	Cluster HTs	for 2023-24 Ongoing		
		Cluster HTs	Spring Term 2024		
			Ongoing		

Cluster Priority 1 Developing Welsh Writing Skills				
Gweithrediadau Actions	Meini Prawf Llwyddiant Success Criteria	Adnoddau Resources	Amser Timescales	Cynnydd ac Effaith Progress and impact
To develop 3 different levels of writing MATS to cover different progression steps To use the 3 MATS with KS2 and KS3 pupils in lessons to improve writing skills	- Pupils will be able to use the mats to improve their writing skills - Pupils will increase their use of varied : - tenses - connectives - blue and yellow star phrases - verbs	Three different levels of Writing MATS	Autumn Term	Autumn term so as to fit with each schools monitoring Learning Walks - Use of mats Pupil books - Pupil progress Pupil Voice –Verbal/Survey



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Years 5-9	- adjectives - opinion phrases • Improved standards of writing across the cluster • Consistency in cluster approach to developing writing skills will aid transition			December Cluster meeting : Feedback to cluster Share best practice Share evidence in pupils work Amend/Develop Mats as
Cluster Priority 2 Using Incidental Welsh				
Gweithrediadau Actions	Meini Prawf Llwyddiant Success Criteria	Adnoddau Resources	Amser Timescales	Cynnydd ac Effaith Progress and impact
To develop a shared approach to general marking/feedback in Welsh To use the Marking comments developed by Pantside Primary for PS1-3 To develop marking comments for PS4 (Newbridge)	• Pupils will be able to use incidental Welsh phrases and vocabulary across curriculum areas • Consistent marking approach evident across the cluster	Three different levels of Marking Comments to cover different Progression Steps	Autumn Term	December Cluster meeting : Feedback to cluster Share best practice Share evidence in pupils work Amend/Develop Marking Comments
Cluster Priority 3 Siarter Iaith - Use of Apps and Websites to enhance learning and enjoyment – Targed 6 Gwobr Arian				
Gweithrediadau Actions	Meini Prawf Llwyddiant Success Criteria	Adnoddau Resources	Amser Timescales	Cynnydd ac Effaith Progress and impact
Each school assigned two APPS & one website to trial with pupils in FP Use QR codes (Quizlets) to improve and practice vocabulary	• Improved use of Incidental Welsh • Improved love and interest in the Welsh language • Evidence for Silver Award – Targed 6	APPS Websites QR codes (Quizlets) Phrase of the week	Spring Term	April Cluster Meeting : Feedback to cluster Share best use of Pupil Voice Feedback

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