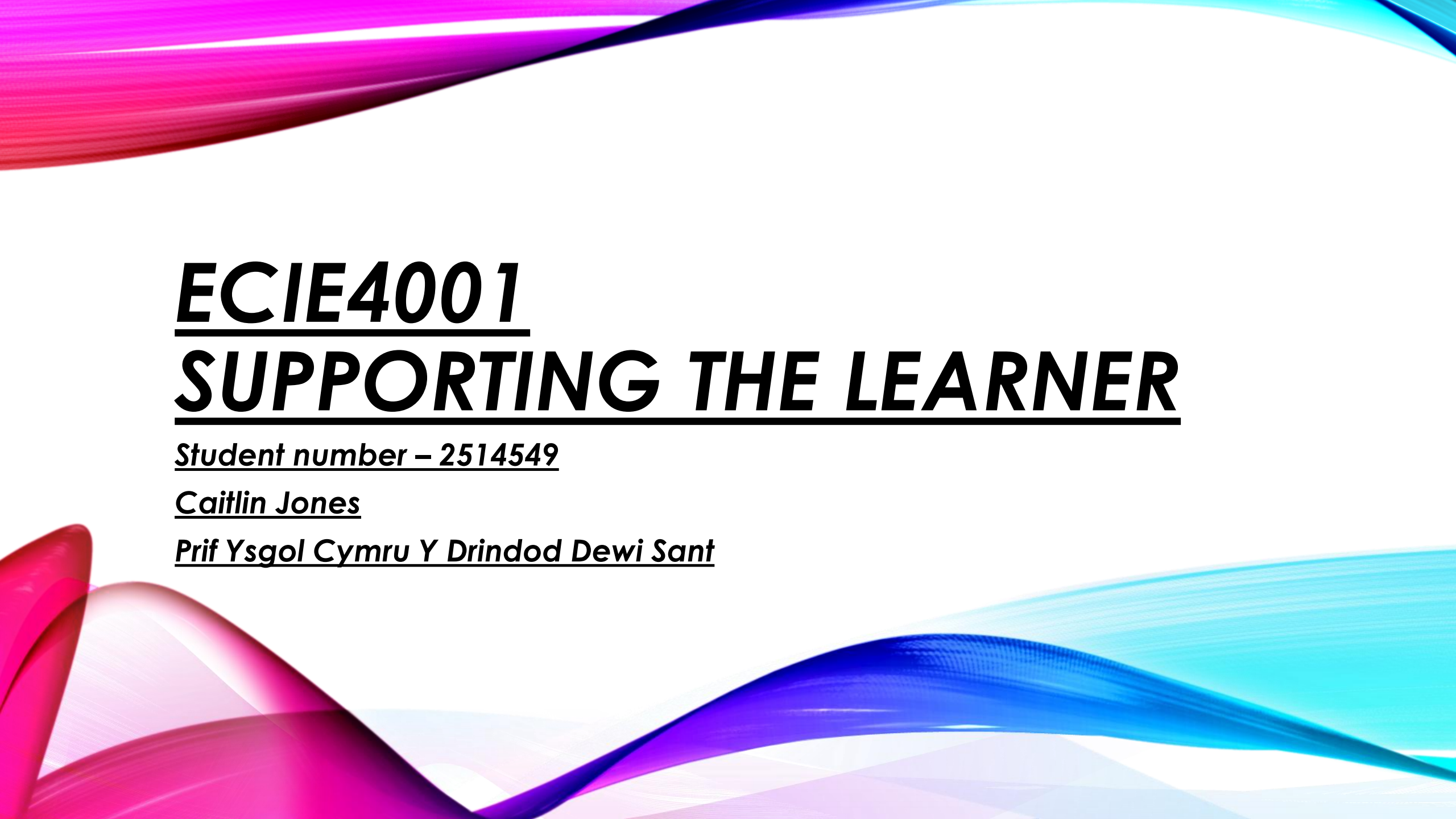




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WHAT
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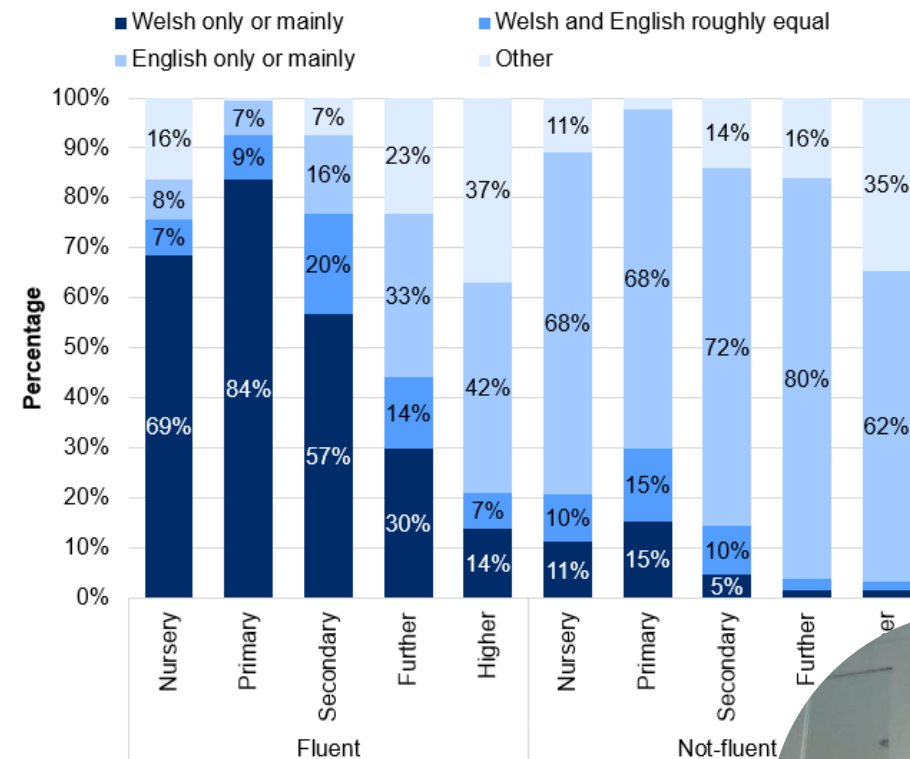
THIS POWERPOINT IS
ABOUT SYSTEMIC AND
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USING MASLOW AND
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THE CHALLENGES STUDENT FACE IN WELSH EDUCATION SETTINGS?

This Charts shows how Welsh speakers were educated between July 2019 and March 2020, it compares fluent and non fluent speakers across different education settings. E.E Nursery, Primary, Secondary, Further and Higher

Chart 4: Welsh speakers' language of education according to fluency, July 2019 to March 2020

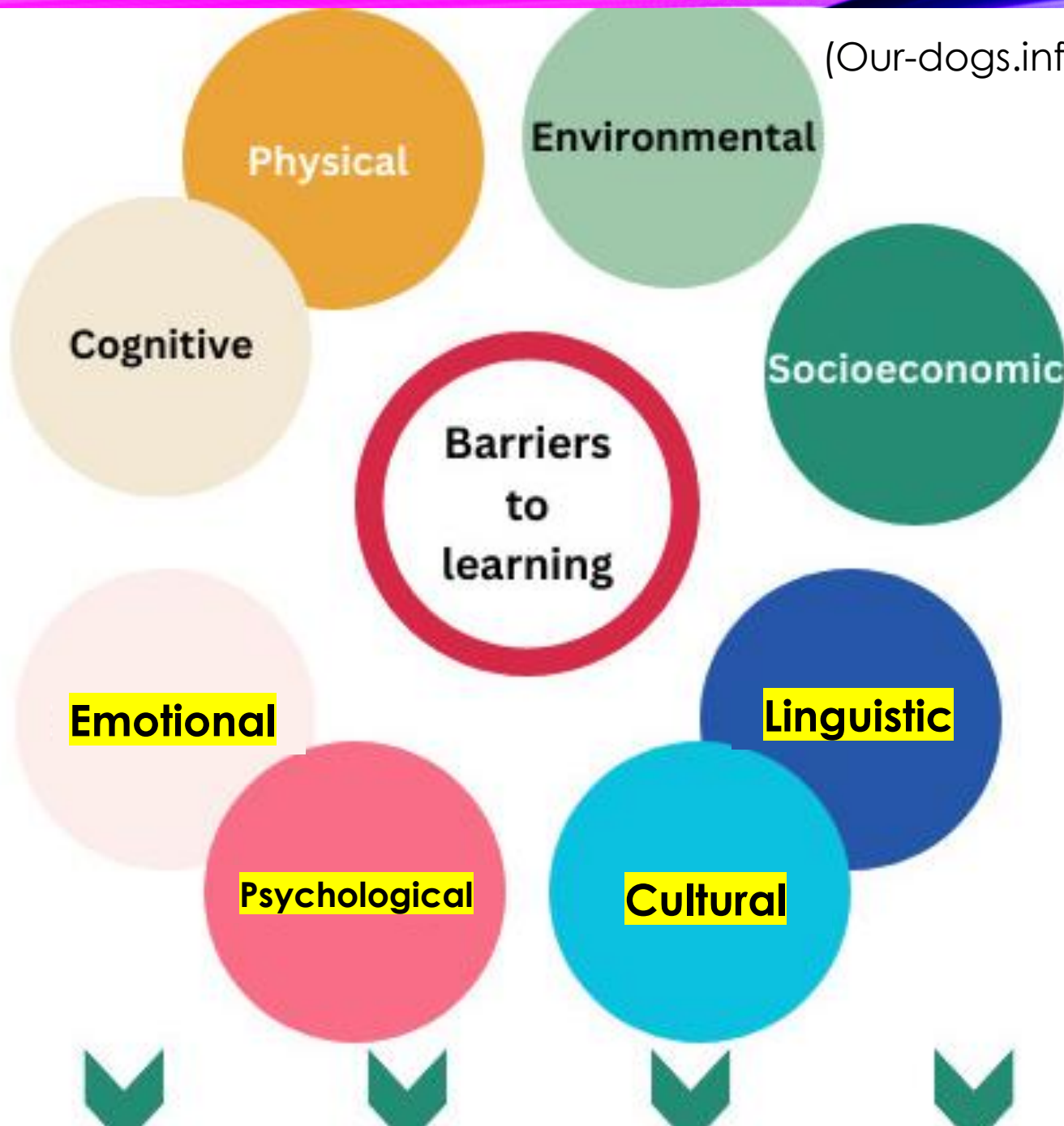


Source: Welsh Language Use

(GOV.WALES, 2020)



(Our-dogs.info, 2025)



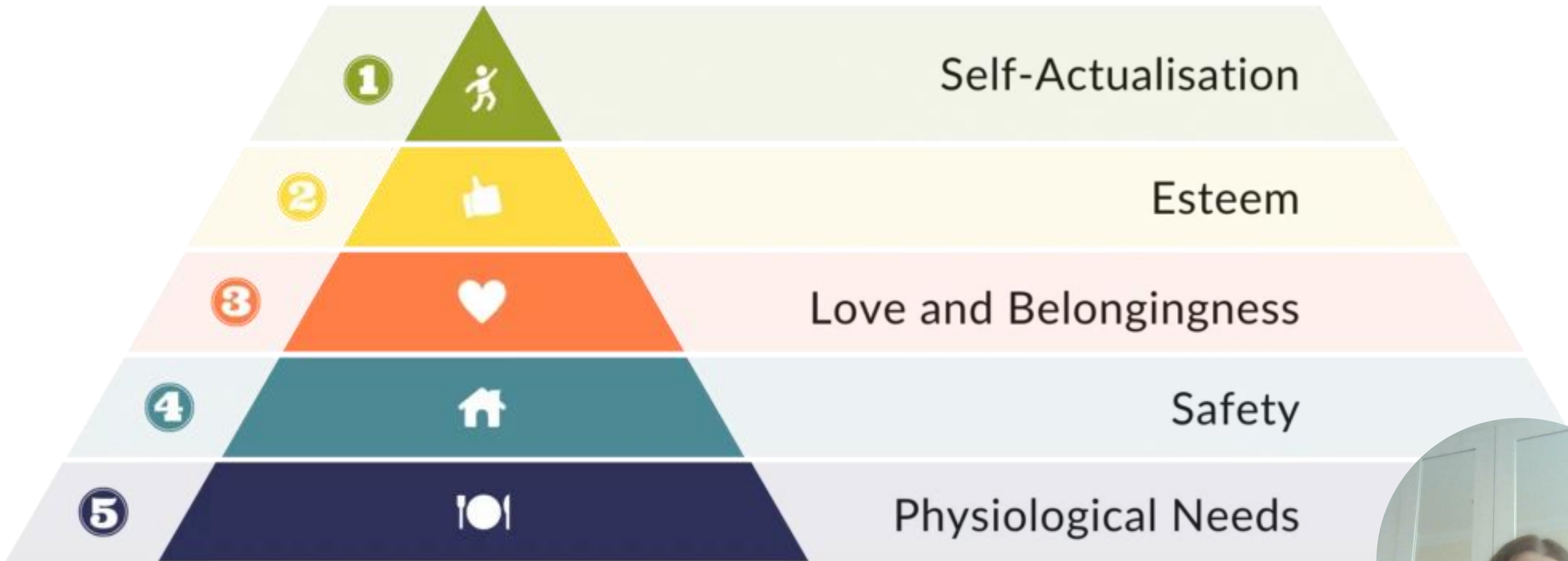
PERSONAL BARRIERS

Welsh medium students struggle with these barriers.



SYSTEMIC BARRIERS

Maslow Hierarchy Of Needs (1943)



(Channell, 2025)



BALANCE BETWEEN RELATIONSHIP BUILDING OF LEARNERS TRUST AND RESPONSE TO NEEDS

Why is it important to develop students' trust?

Effective learning is built on trust. Students are more inclined to participate, take chances, and be honest about their needs when they feel appreciated, respected, and listened to.

In Wales, relationships and well-being are central to both Estyn's inspection framework and the four purposes of the Curriculum for Wales.

(Gov.wales, 2021)

Finding the Balance

The challenge lies in maintaining strong relationships without compromising professional objectivity or academic expectations. A balanced approach involves:

Empathy with boundaries: Be understanding but maintain professionalism.
Trust through consistency: Learners know what to expect, which builds reliability.

(Gov.wales, 2021)

Why is responding to Learners' Needs matter?

Learners in Wales have diverse academic, emotional, and social needs.

The *Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Act 2018* emphasises a person-centred approach where provision is tailored to each learner.

(Welsh Government, 2018)



(Ysgolpenrhyn.uk, 2020)



Dysgwch ddwy iaith er mwyn
llwyddo yn y byd gwaith!



Improve your career chances;
learn Welsh, it's a great advantage!

- ❖ Learning another language increases opportunities and choices
- ❖ Having 2 languages, means that we inherit 2 cultures and gain 2 different worlds of experience; with a language goes a wealth of history, songs, music, stories and poetry
- ❖ More and more employers in Wales are looking for workers who can speak Welsh
- ❖ Because we live in Wales and Welsh is our language
- ❖ Evidence from across the World shows that children who can speak 2 languages can think more creatively and tend to do better in IQ tests
- ❖ Learning another language helps us to do better in other subjects
- ❖ It makes us nicer! Research from Cambridge has found that having a second language makes us more tolerant of other cultures, more creative and also better at finding solutions to problems

Why learn Welsh?



CONCLUSION

There are many barriers that the students struggle with which are misunderstanding of their work and how its is explained, the feeling of being overwhelmed.

The solutions for these are getting them to trust you and being listened too. Many places of work in Wales employ more people who speak Welsh.



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