

How the school involves Diversity, religion, ethnicity

- School A tries it's hardest to include all races, religions by hosting different events for the children of the school to do with their religion for example they celebrated Diwali and made the whole school join in because they had some families and children celebrate it at home.
- The school has different speakers from different ethnicity's come in and speak to the children about their different celebrations and beliefs to normalise the idea of their being different and celebrating different things.
- The school has a wide range of different religions and ethnicities in the school which they make sure they are all equally treated and that all the children treat everyone the same. This is beneficial because it means the children are taught from a young age that its ok to look different and celebrate and believe in other things than your peers.
- The school has resources with different races on to show diversity and show the children that race doesn't matter or make people different. The different resources they use ranges from posters, books, pictures etc

How the school communicates with parents:

- The school communicates with parents by using an app which allows them to send the parents letters this is good for the environment as well as making it, so the letter doesn't get seen or forgotten in the bottom of a school bag
- Through the app the school can update the parents with photos of the children and their work so the parents can see the progress within their child.
- The school also communicate with the parents by doing home visits
- The school also encourages parents evening and does them regularly however they said they only get about 60-70% attendance from parents.
- The school also has phone calls with some parents regularly to update them on how their child or children are doing in school and tell them if there are any concerns
- The school also communicates with the parents by organising specific meetings with some parents and students to discuss things more privately and see how the school can help with any issues they may have.

How the school supports ALN children and parents:

- The school works with both the children and the parents to create a routine and schedule that works for them.
- The school has an ALN (additional learning needs) section to the school which is more relaxed, private and secure area of the school which is an area for certain children who need more help.
- The school supports the children by providing a better teacher student ratio than a mainstream classroom so that the children get more attention and tutoring on a closer ratio.
- The school puts preventions in place to help support the child and children that they are concerned with the development and progress off or just their wellbeing so that they can help them get to a good place and progress within themselves.
- Although the school might tailor a child's schedule with ALN to best fit them and support them. They give them all the resources and materials they are going to need for life like any other child
- The school also helps each individual child by getting appropriate specialist teachers in or professionals to come and help the individual further with speech therapy, physical therapy etc.

School

- School A is a large primary school of approximately 700 students across the school
- The school is in a deprived area where many families suffer from poverty meaning that not all children will have all the things, they need such as school uniform, food, hygiene products, access to a car etc
- Some of the parents had bad experiences in school so it can be a struggle to get attendance
- Some parents can't read or write because they never attended school themselves.
- The school is diverse and allows all children in the school weather they have severe learning needs. They don't say no to many students, they allow as many as they can.
- The school has a flying starts programme to encourage children to come into school early and get used to the setting.
- The school has a separate section to the school which is secured using key thoubts to get in and out to ensure that children who need extra support can get it in a safe way.
- The school has free school meals for children to help the families in need and a part of the new Welsh government scheme every primary school in Wales will get free school meals for the children by 2024.

How the school engages with the community:

- School A engages with the community by having a take what you need station. This helps both the community and the children and families as they provide items such as nappies, school clothes, clothes, toys, cleaning products, hygiene products etc outside the school which have all been donated by families or teachers.
- The school also has events in the school for the community such as free lunches for the homeless. This is beneficial for the homeless and the school because it's an opportunity for them to teach the children about giving back to the community and how to help other people when they need it.
- The school also works with the local authorities such as the police. They do this for several reasons to teach the children things about safety and especially for the younger children so they can learn and have a safe friendly environment with the police and know they are there to help and that they are good people.
- They also have a DOC leaf project which is a project that means people of the community can volunteer in the school under the Doc leaf project and gets them a qualification for a teaching assistant at the end. It's good for people in the community who can't go to college or university to get the qualification for their own reasons. It gives them the opportunity to do something they never thought they could do.

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