



## The School at the Heart of Wales

What an honour it is to be the Head Teacher of Ysgol Calon Cymru. The generosity, warmth and care for others I see here on a daily basis makes me feel privileged to be a part of this remarkable school. As our name so aptly refers to, Ysgol Calon Cymru is at the heart of this rich and vibrant community, and we thrive on the stability that this brings.

Part of my job is to make sure that the values and strengths of our community continue to be reflected in our school. This means that we must all – pupils, parents, carers and our whole school staff – work together with trust, respect and a shared vision.

This vision includes giving all our learners the confidence to grow, to aim high, and to have aspiration for their own futures and self worth. This is as important to me as delivering a high standard of teaching and learning across all subject areas. Our aspiration for our learners does not stop when they leave school, and so we must ensure that the experiences and opportunities provided at Ysgol Calon Cymru will benefit them in their future lives and career paths.

As you will already be aware, this is a time of unprecedented challenge. At Ysgol Calon Cymru, the health, safety and wellbeing of our pupils, our staff and our wider community is of the highest importance. However, please be assured that we are not allowing our commitment to our learners to take a backseat. In these challenging times, enabling our learners to have aspirations for their futures is as important as it has ever been. Myself and my colleagues firmly believe that no child should be disadvantaged by a crisis that is outside of their control, and we are doing everything we possibly can to make sure that this is not an outcome for any of our pupils at Ysgol Calon Cymru.

Thank you for your continued support during this difficult period. I hope you and your loved ones are safe and well, and we will be able to welcome you at Ysgol Calon Cymru again soon.

With warm wishes,

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