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Gwasanaeth Dysgu Môn
Anglesey Learning Service

Ysgol Cybi

School Session Times

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Chair of Governors (signature)	
Headteacher (signature)	Rh Grieves
Date of review *(3 years from adoption, unless updated)*	30/09/29

Introduction
The Education (School Day and School Year) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 were approved by The Minister for Education and Skills and came into force on the 24th February 2012. The Education (School Day and School Year) (Wales) Regulations 2003 ("the 2003 Regulations") apply to schools maintained by local authorities and to special schools (whether or not so maintained).

Aims and objectives

- To ensure that the structure for the school timetable provides the best possible framework for teaching and learning.
- To ensure that Welsh Government Legislations are met and school times comply with the Education (School Day and School Year) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2012

School Sessions

- A school day will ordinarily be divided into two sessions (with a break in the middle), and schools (other than nursery schools) will meet for at least 380 sessions during any school year (i.e. 190 days).
- Schools are required to be open to teach pupils for up to 190 days each academic year. Teachers are required to be available to work for 195 days per academic year. This includes being available for five in service training days (INSET).
- There are five statutory INSET days made available within teachers' pay and conditions of service.
- Welsh Ministers have the authority to grant one or two additional INSET days.

Length of school sessions

Sessions must allow sufficient lesson time to deliver a broad and balanced curriculum that includes the national curriculum and religious education. Schools are free to decide the length of each lesson but current Welsh Government recommendations per week are as follows:

Age	**Suggested minimum weekly lesson time (hours)**
5-7 (Foundation Phase)	21
8-11 (Key Stage 2)	23.5
12-16 (Key Stages 3-4)	25

The suggested minimum weekly lesson times relate to the hours during which pupils are being taught. The recommended lesson hours above include religious education but do not include the act of collective worship, nor do they include registration or breaks. Enough time should be allowed within school sessions for all these activities.

For special schools the timings may be more flexible. They will need to allocate time for activities particular to the requirements of their pupils, such as training in mobility, signing or the use of Braille and for any medical treatments required. They also need to take into account the length of time that pupils spend each day travelling to and from school. However, in general, special schools should regard the guidance above, as representing a level of provision to which they should aspire where practicable and where it is in the educational interests of the individual pupil. When determining hours of taught lessons, special schools should bear in mind the range and level of work being undertaken by pupils as well as their chronological age.

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The headteacher must make information available to parents and others about the starting and finishing times of the school sessions. The times for Ysgol Cybi are as follows:

	Foundation Learning Reception	**Foundation Learning Years 1 and 2**	**Years 3 and 4**	**Years 5 and 6**
	9.00am-10.15am 10.30am-11.50am 12:45pm-3.00pm	9:00am – 10:35am 10:50am – 11:50am 12:45pm – 3:00pm	9:00am – 10:35am 10:50am – 11:55am 12:50pm – 3:05pm	9.00am-10.15am 10.30am-11:55am 12:50pm – 3:05pm
Total time spent in school during the week	360 minutes per day 1800 minutes per week 30 hours per week	360 minutes per day 1800 minutes per week 30 hours per week	365 minutes per day 1825 minutes per week 30 hours 25 minutes per week	365 minutes per day 1825 minutes per week 30 hours 25 minutes per week
Registration	5 minutes per day 25 minutes per week	5 minutes per day 25 minutes per week	5 minutes per day 25 minutes per week	5 minutes per day 25 minutes per week
Worship	Monday – 5 minutes Tuesday – 10 minutes Wednesday – 10 minutes Thursday – 10 minutes Friday – 5 minutes			
Teaching time	23 hours 5 minutes per week		23 hours 30 minutes per week	

Roles and responsibilities of governors

The governing body will ensure that, if changes are being considered to the school day, the school will follow the procedure for changing school session times by a governing body as set out in The Changing of School Session Times (Wales) Regulations:
The headteacher will consult fully with the staff, parents, pupils, and the LA to ensure that:

- a statement is prepared specifying the proposed change and, if required to do so by the LA
- provide a copy of the statement to all parents and make copies available for inspection at the school;
- call a meeting, if requested by parents to discuss the proposed change;
- consider any comments made and decide whether to implement the proposed change, with or without any modification;
- inform the LA and parents of any change before it takes effect.

Further information available from Welsh Government can be found here.

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