



YSGOL RHIWABON
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Vacancy Information Pack

Teacher of English

Required from September 2026

Full Time, Permanent

Closing date – Wednesday 11th March 2026

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Full-Time Teacher of English

The Governors of Ysgol Rhiwabon are seeking to appoint a Teacher of English who will inspire with vision, passion and ambition who can contribute to the department in the next stage of its development.

About the role

We are looking for an innovative professional who is passionate about teaching and learning and who is committed to making a difference. The successful candidate will be expected to teach across the age and ability range. You will be welcomed into a hardworking, collaborative school and given opportunities for professional development through our extensive CPD Programme.

We are seeking someone with drive, energy and enthusiasm and in return we will provide;

- An induction support programme
- Opportunities to play a role in shaping whole school development
- A strong learning community with a clear focus on teaching and learning
- An environment where skills and talents can be recognised and developed through our excellent professional training.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people and expects staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

We strongly encourage a visit to the school to see the full potential of what we have to offer. Please contact Mrs Emma Williams, PA on 01978 814962 or e-mail williamse45@hwbcymru.net to arrange this.

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If you would like to be a part of our forward-looking, rapidly improving school and want the opportunity to develop your teaching career then please contact Mrs Emma Williams, PA to the Headteacher on Tel: 01978 822 392 or by E-mail: williamse45@hwbcymru.net to request an application pack.

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS DIRECTLY TO MRS EMMA WILLIAMS, PA VIA EMAIL OR POST

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“Ysgol Rhiwabon is a caring and inclusive school, which strives to support its pupils to ‘succeed with soul’ and to develop both academically and personally. Staff are ambitious for all pupils to achieve their full potential and leave school prepared for the next steps in their lives” (Estyn, May 2023).



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Welcome Statement from Ysgol Rhiwabon's Chair of Governors, Mrs Joan Lowe

As Chair of Governors, I am proud to introduce you to our school. Ysgol Rhiwabon has a proud history with values based on tradition and the school motto 'Nothing Without Labour'. This year the school is celebrating a significant milestone as it celebrates its 450th Birthday. Whilst celebrating the past, we are an innovative and forward-facing school linked to the best educational practice locally and nationally, with a strong reputation in the local community.

Ysgol Rhiwabon is a warm and vibrant learning community for our 11–16-year-olds. We are based at the heart of our local community, enjoying excellent links with our feeder primary schools. As our students progress through the school, we are committed to ensuring that every individual achieves the very best they can be regardless of background or ability, based on our belief in achieving, "Success with Soul". It is important to us that our young people leave school in Year 11, confident, happy, and equipped with the skills for lifelong learning.

A website and information pack can only provide a flavour of what our school is about. As a potential candidate please feel free to contact the Clerk to the Governors to arrange a tour of the school. You will be very welcome and I am confident that you will be impressed by what you see.

With Kind regards

Mrs Joan Lowe
Chair of Governors





School Overview

Chair of Governors: Mrs Joan Lowe

Number of Students: 527

Number of Staff: 33 Teaching Staff, 11 Learning Support Assistants, 13 Support Staff

School Environment

It is with great pride and pleasure we introduce Ysgol Rhiwabon. This academic year 2025 is a special year for the school as we celebrate its 450th Birthday.

We are a caring, family school with excellent community links with Ruabon and its surrounding villages. Ysgol Rhiwabon has a proud heritage, which provides us with the firm foundations we need to develop the youngsters in our care. At the same time, we are a modern, innovative school with lots of exciting learning experiences available for our students. We continually review provision to ensure that we meet the needs of all our learners.

We have a very caring, hardworking staff in Ysgol Rhiwabon and visitors to our school comment regularly on the calm, happy, family atmosphere where standards of uniform and behaviour are high and where our young people are supported and challenged to be the very best they can be.

Just two years ago, in March 2023 Ysgol Rhiwabon was awarded the 'School of the Year' Award as part of the Leader Education Awards. This recognised the school's academic successes alongside its focus on the wellbeing of the students and the contribution the school makes to its local and wider community. In addition, Ysgol Rhiwabon had an Estyn Inspection in February/March 2023 with very positive outcomes.

"Ysgol Rhiwabon is a caring and inclusive school, which strives to support its students to 'Succeed with Soul' and to develop both academically and personally". (Estyn 2023)

We continue to be one of few schools in Wales in the Professional Teaching Institute, which involves our staff and students in outstanding training. We are regularly asked to take students from our school to talk to teachers from across the UK and they have featured in national publications, commenting on inspirational teaching. Staff from our school also work as consultants for the Professional Teaching Institute. This keeps Ysgol Rhiwabon at the forefront of best practice across the UK.

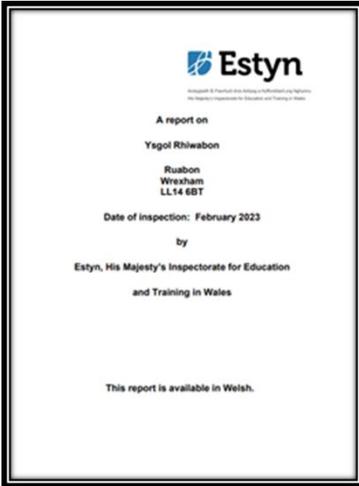
Our Primary transition programme has developed significantly in recent years, it has received glowing feedback from parents and the youngsters involved. Estyn recognised the school's work with Year 6 and 7 as a key strength of the school, commenting on the warm welcome and safe culture established for our younger members of the school community, including our exciting SWAN Transition Project.

In recent times, our school has improved in so many ways, modernising and responding to the many changes, which face our staff every year. Ysgol Rhiwabon is founded on strong traditional values, and it is this, which will lead to our continued success in the future.

We would encourage you to visit Ysgol Rhiwabon. You will receive a very warm welcome and we will be proud to show you our school in operation.



Estyn and School of the Year Award Quotes



“Transition arrangements to support students’ well-being are a strength of the school. Staff help students settle in well by being welcoming and getting to know them quickly.” (Estyn 2023)

“Ysgol Rhiwabon is a caring and inclusive community, which values the well-being and character of its students as highly as their learning.” (Estyn 2023)

“Younger students benefit from effective transition arrangements to help them settle well into school life. In addition, students with additional learning needs receive helpful support to enable them to develop their academic and life skills.” (Estyn 2023)



“The school offers a broad and balanced curriculum, including a wide range of worthwhile academic and vocational subjects to meet the needs of nearly all students. In lessons, a majority of students make good progress in their knowledge and understanding. These students make suitable contributions to class discussions and use subject specific terminology appropriately. Many students locate facts and information from texts accurately and can write suitably for a range of purposes and audiences.” (Estyn 2023)



“The winner of this category was Ysgol Rhiwabon, who are committed to ensuring that every individual achieves the very best.

They strive for young people to leave school confident, happy and equipped with the skills for lifelong learning.”



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Parent Quotes and Feedback

- *“As a parent, it was great seeing how happy and excited my son is going to school each morning.”*
- *“The school uniform looks fantastic, nice to know that students have had input to style and choice.”*
- *“The school website and App are brilliant. They really do help me know what’s going on.”*
- *“After School Clubs – fantastic range of activities on offer. My daughter attends netball and has represented the school in matches – she thoroughly enjoys this!”*
- *“The Lead Learner gave me a phone call to let me know how my son was settling in – it really put my mind at rest.”*
- *“It’s good to see a school where parental feedback is being made easier.”*
- *“The transfer to Ysgol Rhiwabon has gone extremely well, with the support and organisation of all the staff.”*
- *“It’s a relief just knowing that my child is well supported during his transition into high school.”*

Some Year 6 Transition Comments and Feedback from Parents

- *“They have enjoyed everything this week. They have got to know their class, dinners and teachers. My boys loved doing the quiz.”*
- *“My child enjoyed meeting the other Year 7 students before starting full time.”*
- *“My child seems to have enjoyed all aspects of the school so far. She seems to be settling in well, however a bit nervous. She says the teachers are very helpful.”*
- *“My child enjoyed all of this week. Getting to know the layout of the school and the teachers etc., it really helped her settle in as it can be a very daunting experience.”*
- *“He seems to have enjoyed everything so far. He likes his Form Tutor and has enjoyed the sporting activities and History.”*
- *“My daughter has enjoyed it and has been made to feel really welcome, I think it’s working fab!”*
- *“What you do now is very good in settling the children into the school.”*
- *“Keep on going with your fantastic ideas for making the transition from primary school as smooth as possible.”*



The Professional Teaching Institute

Ysgol Rhiwabon is a proud member of The Professional Teaching Institute (PTI)

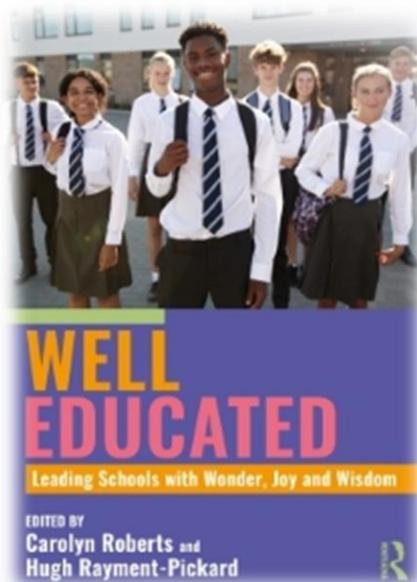
The PTI launched the Schools Programme in 2007 to recognise and reward school departments that develop inspirational ideas and activities which enhance the teaching of Art, English, Geography, History, Latin, Mathematics, Modern Foreign Languages, Music and Science, regardless of their students' backgrounds or abilities. It is run as a membership group for school departments that choose to commit to increasing the challenge of their subject provision.

Our Art, English, Geography, History, Languages, Mathematics, Music and Science departments received the Mark in recognition of outstanding contributions to student and staff development.

The PTI's Schools Programme is open to all state secondary schools in England and Wales. To become members, school departments must demonstrate their commitment to increasing teachers' subject knowledge, and to furthering their students' understanding of and enthusiasm for the subject, regardless of their background or ability.

To achieve the PTI Mark, departments then have to demonstrate that they have increased the challenge within their subject curriculum; developed their staff's own specialist subject knowledge; developed subject-based links outside school; and enthused their students through subject-based activities beyond the curriculum.

After three years of Schools Programme membership, departments may choose to become Associate Departments by devising an advanced multi-year programme in one of these areas. As Associate Departments they will share their growing expertise with others in the Schools Programme to the benefit of all.





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