

How I am challenged in Ysgol Bryn Alyn.

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When I was asked 'how are you challenged in school?' I didn't know how to answer. Then I realised that the reason I didn't know how to respond because I am challenged all the time in school without even knowing it, for example being asked to write this. Without even recognising it, just by writing this I am being challenged and stretched even further, developing my ideas and learning from my mistakes as I go along. I feel that by almost being challenged very 'subtly', it allows me to accomplish more regarding the challenge. I believe this because it allows me not to be over-critical of myself and my work when performing the task.

Although I am challenged all the time, I am challenged in different ways. Each subject comes with its own challenges, as well as teachers giving you a variety of activities which stretch you. Whether the challenge be something you don't notice like writing a few extra paragraphs or thinking about different aspects of the work you didn't notice before, or something you spend days or weeks preparing for like completing the UKMT challenge. Every single thing lets me learn and grow more, not just as a student or in school, but in every aspect of my life. In certain subjects myself, as well as other pupils, can also be challenged by being given work that would normally be given to the year above. This is normally given as an extension task after finishing the set work, or as homework. I do really like this type of challenge as it gives me insight into what is to come in my following years at Ysgol Bryn Alyn. In addition to this it also allows me to remember it when I do it again.

Overall, personally for me my ideal type of challenge is one that allows me to have a 'lightbulb moment', one that allows me to think of new ideas that I have never thought about before. Ysgol Bryn Alyn provides me with plenty of these opportunities and challenges.

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