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Our vision is to improve the quality of education and training and outcomes for all learners in Wales.

Our mission is to support education and training providers to develop a self-improving and learning culture through our advice, inspection and capacity building.

Find out more about our work in the Post 16 sector.

Latest updates:

From September 2024, we will be introducing new inspection arrangements for education providers in Wales. Find out more here:

[Inspecting for the future \(2024–2030\) | Estyn \(gov.wales\)](#)



We are currently consulting on arrangements for the following sectors and would welcome your views:

- post-16 settings (further education, adult learning in the community and independent specialist colleges)
[Consultation - Estyn's inspection arrangements for post-16 education and training sectors from September 2024 \(smartsurvey.co.uk\)](#)



- Welsh for adults
[Welsh for Adults Consultation \(smartsurvey.co.uk\)](#)



The Chief Inspector's Annual Report 2022-2023:

- On 12 October 2023, we launch the sector summaries as part of the HMCI's Annual report. We are sharing an overview of key messages for each of the sectors we inspect ahead of the full Annual Report which will be published on 31 January next year.
- The summaries highlight what's going well and what needs to improve for each sector and list sector specific recommendations as well as questions to help providers reflect on their practice.

Sector summaries: <https://annual-report.estyn.gov.wales/sector-summaries-2022-2023/>



Self-reflection questions for Further education: https://annual-report.estyn.gov.wales/summary_messages/further-education/#questions



Sector reports:

Annual report 2021-2022 - [The Chief Inspector's Annual Report 2021-2022 | Estyn \(gov.wales\)](#)



Sector reports – FE - [Sector report: Further education 2021-2022 – Estyn Adroddiad Blynyddol | Annual Report \(gov.wales\)](#)



WBL - [Sector report: Work-based learning 2021-2022 – Estyn Adroddiad Blynyddol | Annual Report \(gov.wales\)](#)



ALC - [Sector Report: Adult learning in the community 2021-2022 – Estyn Adroddiad Blynyddol | Annual Report \(gov.wales\)](#)



Work-based learning explained – link to webpage on website containing reports on apprenticeships and Jobs Growth Wales+ programme regional monitoring visits - [Work-based learning explained | Estyn \(gov.wales\)](#)



Thematic reports:

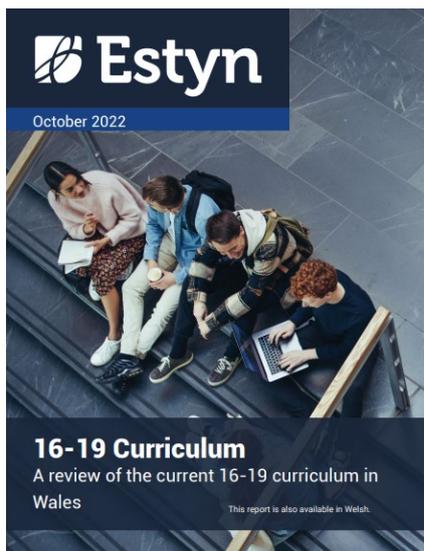
Peer-on-peer sexual harassment among 16-18-year-olds in FE colleges – June 2023

<https://www.estyn.gov.wales/system/files/2023-06/Peer-on-peer%20sexual%20harassment%20among%2016%20to%2018-year-old%20learners%20in%20further%20education%20colleges%20across%20Wales.pdf>



A review of the current 16-19 curriculum in Wales – October 2022

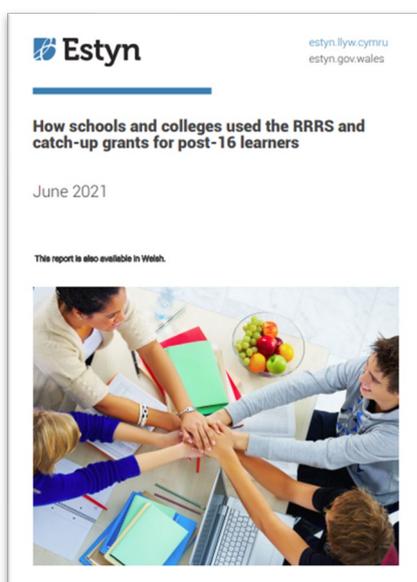
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Initial teacher education in the PCET sectors – October 2021 - <https://www.estyn.gov.wales/system/files/2023-02/Initial%20teacher%20education%20in%20the%20post-compulsory%20education%20and%20training%20sectors.pdf>



How schools and colleges used the RRRS and catch up grants for post-16 learners – June 2021 - <https://www.estyn.gov.wales/system/files/2022-01/Final%20version%20-%20Thematic%20report%20-%20RRRS%20v2.pdf>



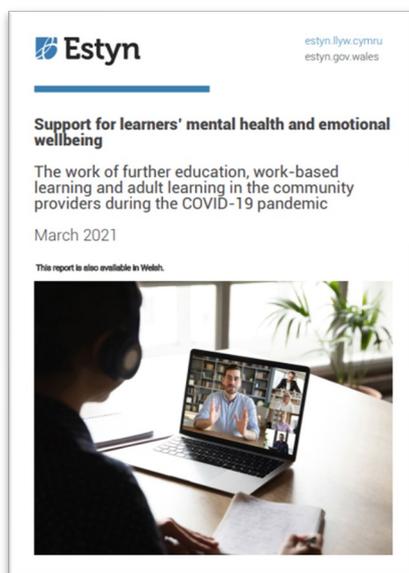
Development in remote and blended learning practice – March 2021

<https://www.estyn.gov.wales/system/files/2022-01/Report%20on%20Remote%20and%20Blended%20Learning%20in%20Post%2016.pdf>



Support for learners' mental health and emotional wellbeing in post-16 – March 2021 -

<https://www.estyn.gov.wales/system/files/2022-01/Learner%20Mental%20Health%20and%20Emotional%20Wellbeing%20in%20the%20Post-16%20sectors%20.pdf>



Post-16 partnerships – January 2021 - <https://www.estyn.gov.wales/system/files/2022-01/Post-16%20partnerships%20en.pdf>



Business and social studies subjects at A level – August 2020 - https://www.estyn.gov.wales/system/files/2021-08/Business_and_social_studies_subjects_at_A_level.pdf



Insights reports from link inspector engagement visits and monitoring visits:

Apprenticeships report – early feedback on delivery under the new contracts (Jan 2023)

<https://www.estyn.gov.wales/system/files/2023-02/Apprenticeships%20-%20early%20feedback%20on%20delivery%20under%20the%20new%20contracts.pdf>

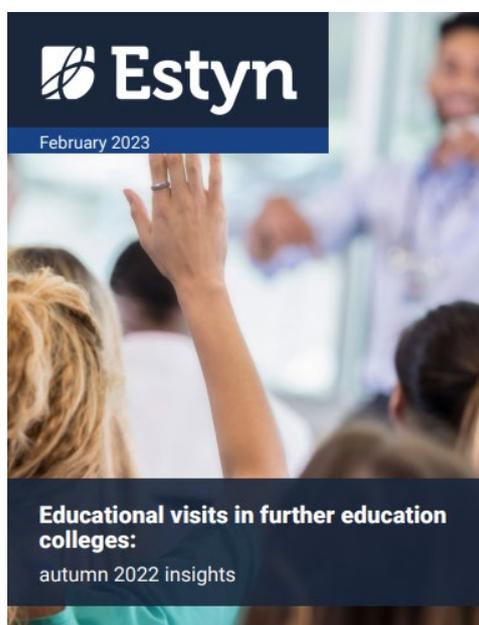


Digital and online learning in FE colleges - Feb 2023

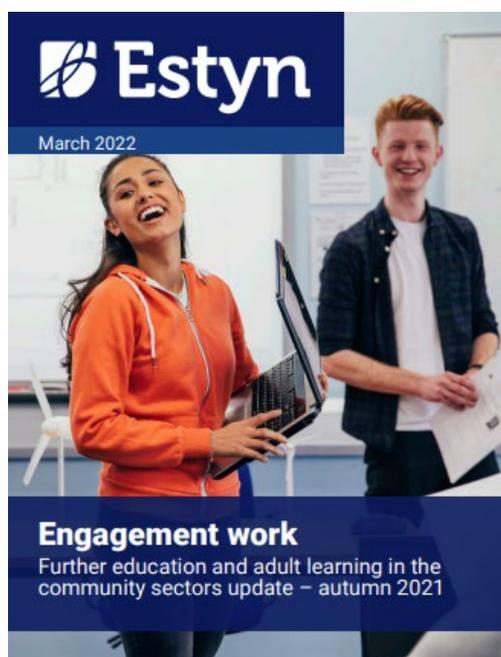
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Educational visits in FE Colleges - Feb 2023 https://www.estyn.gov.wales/system/files/2023-02/Educational%20visits%20in%20further%20education%20colleges%20-%20autumn%202022%20insights_0.pdf



Update from FE and adult learning in the community link inspector engagement report – March 2022 - <https://www.estyn.gov.wales/system/files/2022-03/Engagement%20work%20-%20further%20education%20and%20adult%20learning%20in%20the%20community%20update%20%E2%80%93%20autumn%202021.pdf>



Coming soon...

Jobs Growth Wales+ programme – national report based on monitoring visits – October 2023

**Estyn Live event focused on JGW+ report and apprenticeships – 23 October 2023

Join us live: <https://www.liveeventstream.online/estyn-live>



Essential Skills Wales qualifications in apprenticeships – thematic report – November 2023