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Our ref: WQ93341

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Dear Laura,

On 26 June, you submitted a written question (WQ93341) asking what steps the Welsh Government is taking to increase the number of Welsh speakers in South Wales East.

Since 2022, eight Welsh-medium schools have been newly established or expanded and plans are in train to open more. These schools are underpinned and supported by Welsh-medium early years provision at 41 Cylchoedd Meithrin.

We have also invested: £1,637,406 to support Welsh-medium late immersion programmes in South Wales East; £68,000 towards funding a regional Welsh-medium Education Promotion Champion; and £333,884 annually to support the work of the Welsh language enterprises (Mentrau Iaith) in the area.

In addition, the National Centre for Learning Welsh provides access to language learning across all ages, free lessons for 16-25 year olds and the school education workforce.

Yours sincerely

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