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Her Majesty's Inspectorate  
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## **News release**

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### **Opportunity to discuss education issues in Monmouthshire**

An event in Monmouthshire will provide an insight into the challenges facing education and training in Wales.

Estyn, the education and training inspectorate for Wales, is holding a meeting at Cwrt Bleddyn Hotel, near Usk, on the evening of Monday 24 September.

Estyn is inviting parents, teachers, governors and other people with an interest in education to apply for free tickets to attend. The meeting will start at 6.30pm, with refreshments available from 6.00pm.

Susan Lewis, Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education and Training in Wales, will outline how the inspection service works and how it can help to improve standards of education and training. She will also talk about some of the challenges faced by schools in Wales and share information about education standards in Monmouthshire.

The Estyn panel, together with representatives from Monmouthshire County Council, will then respond to questions on education and training issues.

Susan Lewis says: "The meeting is an opportunity to find out how inspection can make a difference. Estyn has an important role in ensuring that education and training benefits all

learners, and our inspection work plays a key part in raising standards and quality across Wales.”

Those who would like to take part should apply for tickets to Estyn – giving their name, address and the name of their school – by phoning 029 2044 6464 (office hours) or email [communications@estyn.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:communications@estyn.gsi.gov.uk).

#### **Notes to Editors:**

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