



# Curriculum and Assessment (Wales) Act 2021

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## PART 2

CURRICULUM IN MAINTAINED SCHOOLS, MAINTAINED NURSERY  
SCHOOLS AND FUNDED NON-MAINTAINED NURSERY EDUCATION

### CHAPTER 3

CURRICULUM IMPLEMENTATION

*General*

#### **26 Introduction and interpretation**

- (1) This Chapter makes provision about the implementation of a curriculum for any of the following—
  - (a) registered pupils at a maintained school, except those over compulsory school age;
  - (b) registered pupils at a maintained nursery school;
  - (c) children for whom funded non-maintained nursery education is provided.
- (2) Chapter 4 sets out exceptions to the curriculum implementation duties in this Chapter.
- (3) References in this Chapter and in Chapter 4 to a school are to—
  - (a) a maintained school, or
  - (b) a maintained nursery school.
- (4) In this Chapter and in Chapter 4—
  - (a) references to pupils, in relation to a school, are to registered pupils at the school, except those over compulsory school age;

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- (b) references to children, in relation to funded non-maintained nursery education, are to children for whom that education is provided;
- (c) references to the adopted curriculum, in relation to a school, are to the curriculum adopted under section 11 by the head teacher and governing body of the school (and if that curriculum is revised under section 12, to the curriculum as revised);
- (d) references to the adopted curriculum, in relation to funded non-maintained nursery education, are to the curriculum adopted under section 15 by the provider of the education (and if that curriculum is revised under section 16, to the curriculum as revised).

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**Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 26 in force at 1.9.2022 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2022/652](#), art. 5(1)(2)(b), [Sch.](#)
- I2** S. 26 in force at 1.9.2023 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2022/652](#), [art. 6\(1\)\(2\)\(b\)](#)

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