



Tuag at Ragoriaeth  
Towards Excellence

# Cefnogaeth a Her GwE

*GwE Challenge and Support*

2015-2016

Yr heriau a'r cyfleoedd

*The challenges and the opportunities*



## Y sefyllfa gyfredol

- ▶ Tri ymweliad â phob ysgol gan ymgynghorydd her, beth bynnag fo'r sefyllfa a beth bynnag fo'r angen
- ▶ Hyn yn cyfrif am oddeutu 55% o adnodd sefydlog y gwasanaeth
- ▶ Wedi ei ddiffinio yn y CLG gwreiddiol gan y 6 ALI
- ▶ Cylch 2014/15 yn adlewyrchu'r broses gwella ysgol ac yn ceisio ymateb i flaenoriaethau lleol
- ▶ Cyfundrefn gategoreiddio genedlaethol wedi ei mabwysiadu

## The current situation

- ▶ Three visits to every school by a challenge adviser, whatever the situation and whatever the need
- ▶ This corresponds to around 55% of the fixed resource of the service
- ▶ As defined in original SLA drawn up by the 6 LAs
- ▶ 2014/15 visit cycle designed to reflect the school improvement cycle and to be responsive to local need
- ▶ National categorisation system adopted



## Yr heriau

- ▶ Gwaith YH efo ysgol wedi ei ddiffinio'n ormodol gan y tri ymweliad
- ▶ Patrwm gwaith unfath i YH yn anhyblyg ac yn methu â chydnabod sgiliau unigolion
- ▶ Diffyg cynhwysedd i weithredu yn briodol fanwl efo ysgolion categori, oren yn arbennig, a niferoedd annerbyniol yn mynd i categori statudol Estyn
- ▶ Diffyg cynhwysedd i gynnig arweiniad strategol mewn meysydd creiddiol
- ▶ Cysondeb o fewn ac ar draws hybiau

## The challenges

- ▶ Individual CAs work with schools overly-defined by the three visits
- ▶ Universal work pattern for CAs inflexible and fails to recognise individual skills
- ▶ Lack of capacity to operate at an appropriately detailed level with category schools, particularly amber, and unacceptable numbers going in to Estyn statutory category
- ▶ Lack of capacity to offer strategic leadership in core areas
- ▶ Consistency within and across hubs



## Y cyfleoedd

- ▶ Bwriad Model Cenedlaethol ar gyfer Gweithio'n Rhanbarthol Llywodraeth Cymru yw rhoi mwy o annibyniaeth i'n hysgolion gorau.
- ▶ Mae GwE wedi ymrwymo i ddatblygu system hunan wella ysgol sydd wedi'i seilio ar y gred mai gan ysgolion eraill y ceir y gefnogaeth orau yn aml
- ▶ Byddai addasu model gwaith yn adeiladu cynhwysedd i hunan wella drwy wneud y gorau o'r arbenigedd sydd yn ein hysgolion

## The Opportunities

- ▶ The Welsh Government's National Model for Regional Working aims to increase the autonomy for our best schools.
- ▶ GwE is committed to developing a self-improving school system born from a belief that the best source of support often lies within other schools
- ▶ A refined model of working would build capacity for self-improvement by utilising the expertise that we have within our schools



## Y Cyfleoedd

- ▶ Ein penaethiaid gorau eisoes wedi perchnogi'r agenda gwella ar lefel ranbarthol
- ▶ Y gefnogaeth orau eisoes wedi ei brofi yn heriol i'r ysgolion gorau
- ▶ Yn y sefyllfaoedd hyn cydnabyddir y manteision o gymryd cyd-gyfrifoldeb am safonau
- ▶ Cyd-ddealltwriaeth o brosesau gwella ysgol wedi gwreiddio mewn nifer dda o ysgolion

## The Opportunities

- ▶ Our best headteachers have already taken ownership of the regional improvement agenda
- ▶ The best support has already proved challenging to the best schools
- ▶ In these situations, the advantages of taking joint responsibility for standards is recognised
- ▶ Shared understanding of school improvement processes is embedded in a good number of schools



## Adeiladu cynhwysedd drwy...

- ▶ Arfarnu cyfoedion, herio cyfoedion a chefnogi cyfoedion
- ▶ Datblygu uwch arweinwyr i fod yn Ymgynghorwyr Her
- ▶ Datblygu rôl yr Ymgynghorydd Her o fewn y gwasanaeth rhanbarthol

## Building capacity through...

- ▶ Peer evaluation, peer challenge and peer support
- ▶ Developing senior leaders for deployment as Challenge Advisers
- ▶ Developing the role of the Challenge Adviser within the regional service



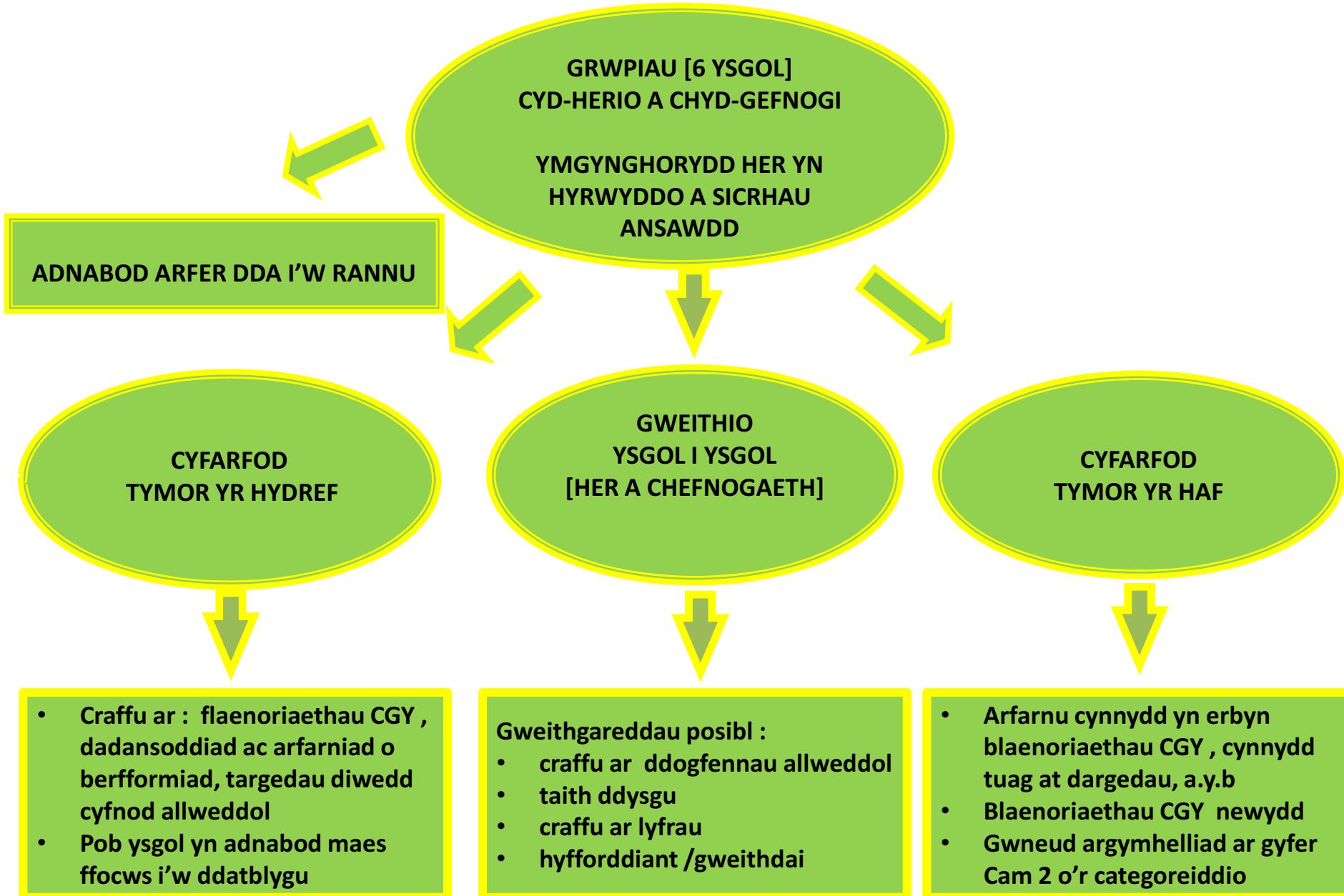
## Adeiladu ar hyn ...

- ▶ Grwpio ysgolion gwyrdd a melyn cadarn (tua 6 mewn grŵp) ar gyfer ymweliadau gydag un YH i bob grŵp
- ▶ Rhwng 35% a 40% o ysgolion y rhanbarth.
- ▶ Strwythuro'r ymweliadau i ganiatâu cyd-herio a chyd-gefnogi
- ▶ Gwobrwyd ysgolion llwyddiannus gyda mwy o hyblygrwydd
- ▶ Rhyddhau cynhwysedd i dargedu ysgolion, hyrwyddo gwaith ysgol i ysgol a datblygu portffolios strategol rhanbarthol/hwb

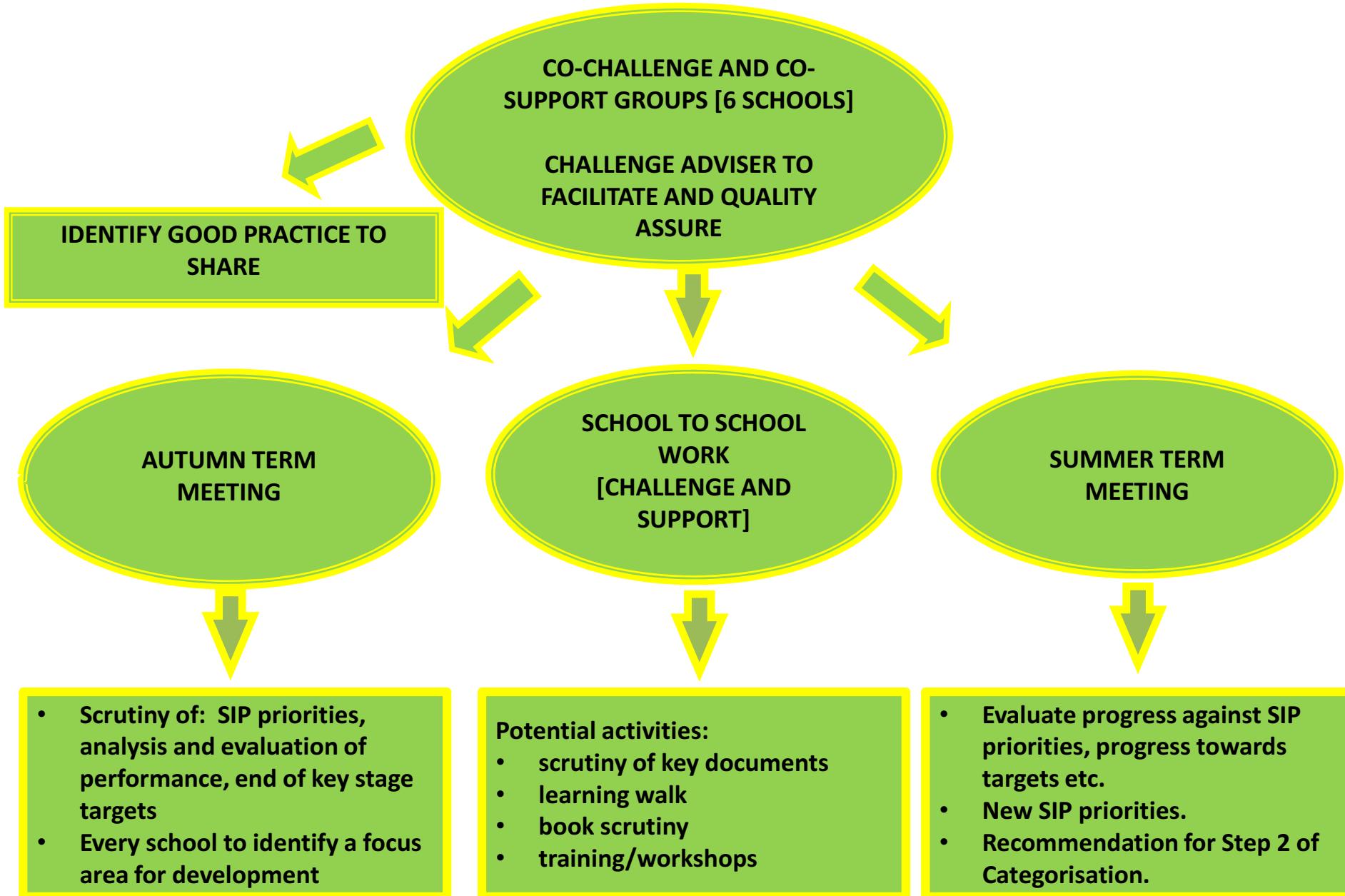
## Building on this ...

- ▶ Group green and strong yellow schools (about 6 in each group) for visits with one CA for each group
- ▶ This corresponds to around 35% to 40% of GwE schools
- ▶ Structure the visits to allow for co-challenge and co-support
- ▶ Reward most successful school with greater flexibility of approach
- ▶ Release capacity to target schools, promote school to school work and to develop regional and hub portfolios

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## GREEN AND STRONG YELLOW SCHOOLS





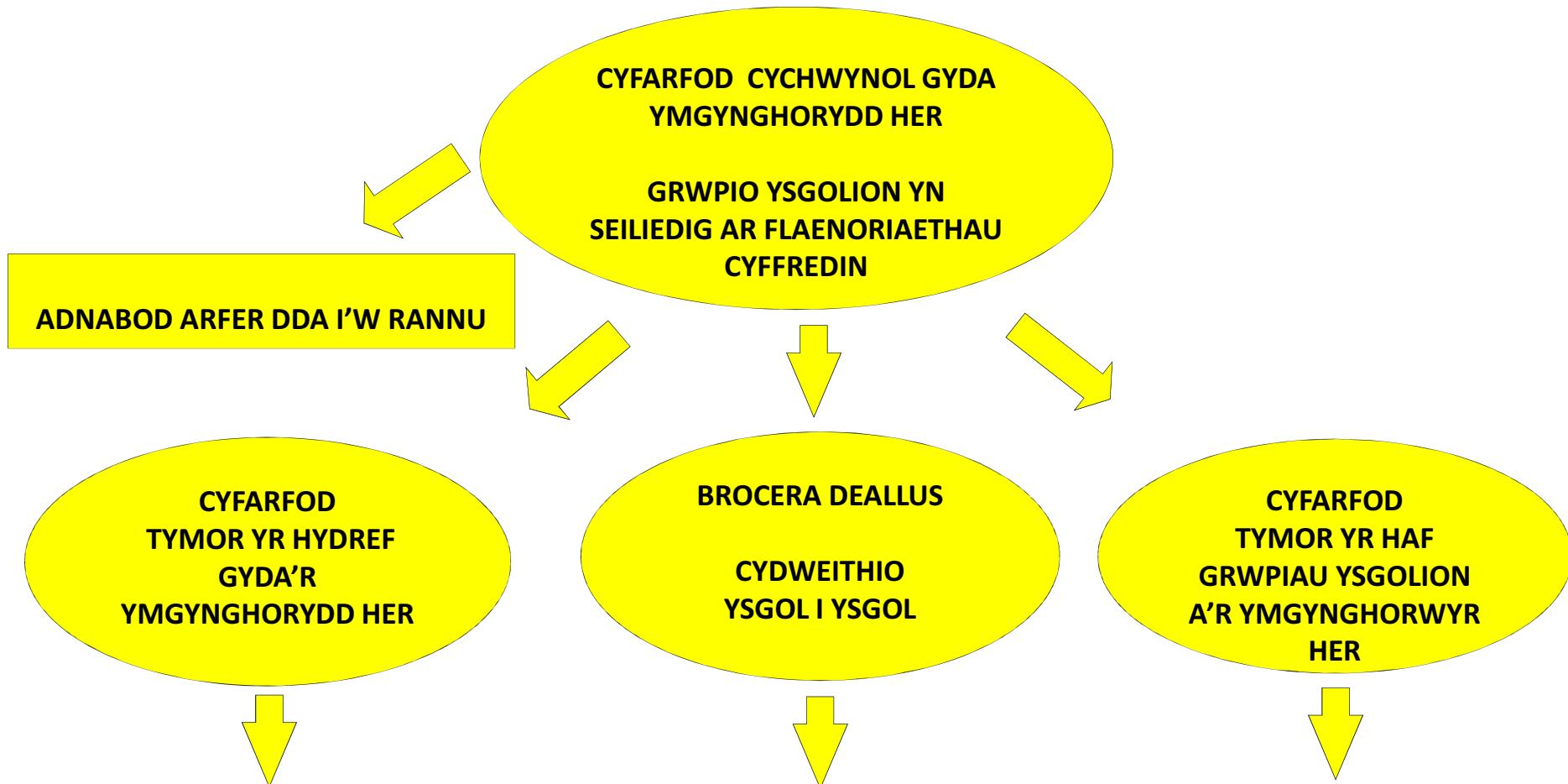
## Adeiladu ar hyn ...

- ▶ Gweddill yr ysgolion melyn i gael cyfarfod cychwynnol yn yr Hydref efo'r Ymgynghorydd Her i edrych ar berfformiad a blaenoriaethau gwella
- ▶ Targedu cynhaliaeth i 'grwpiau o ysgolion' sydd â blaenoriaethau gwella tebyg, drwy frocera deallus gan yr YH
- ▶ Grwpiau yn herio a chefnogi ei gilydd

## Building on this ...

- ▶ Remaining yellow schools to have initial autumn meeting with Challenge Adviser to focus on performance and improvement priorities
- ▶ Targeted support for 'groups of schools' that have similar priorities for improvement through intelligent brokering by the CA
- ▶ Groups to also provide co-challenge and co-support

# YSGOLION MELYN

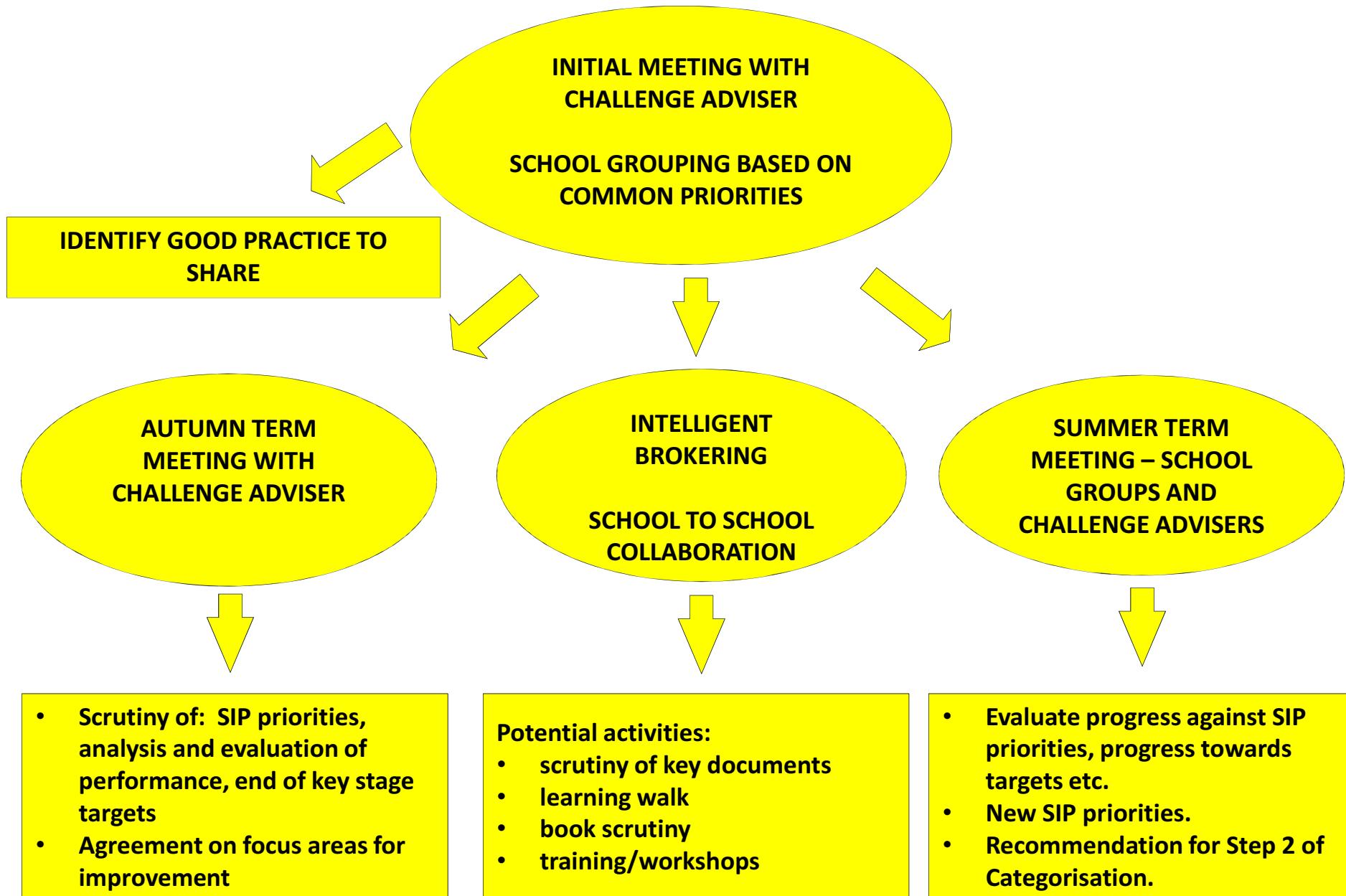


- Craffu ar : flaenoriaethau CGY , dadansoddiad ac arfaniad o berfformiad, targedau diwedd cyfnod allweddol
- Cytuno ar feysydd ffocws ar gyfer gwelliant

- Gweithgareddau posibl :
  - craffu ar ddogfennau allweddol
  - taith ddysgu
  - craffu ar lyfrau
  - hyfforddiant /gweithdai

- Arfarnu cynnydd yn erbyn blaenoriaethau CGY , cynnydd tuag at dargedau, a.y.b
- Blaenoriaethau CGY newydd
- Gwneud argymhelliaid ar gyfer Cam 2 o'r categoreiddio

## YELLOW SCHOOLS





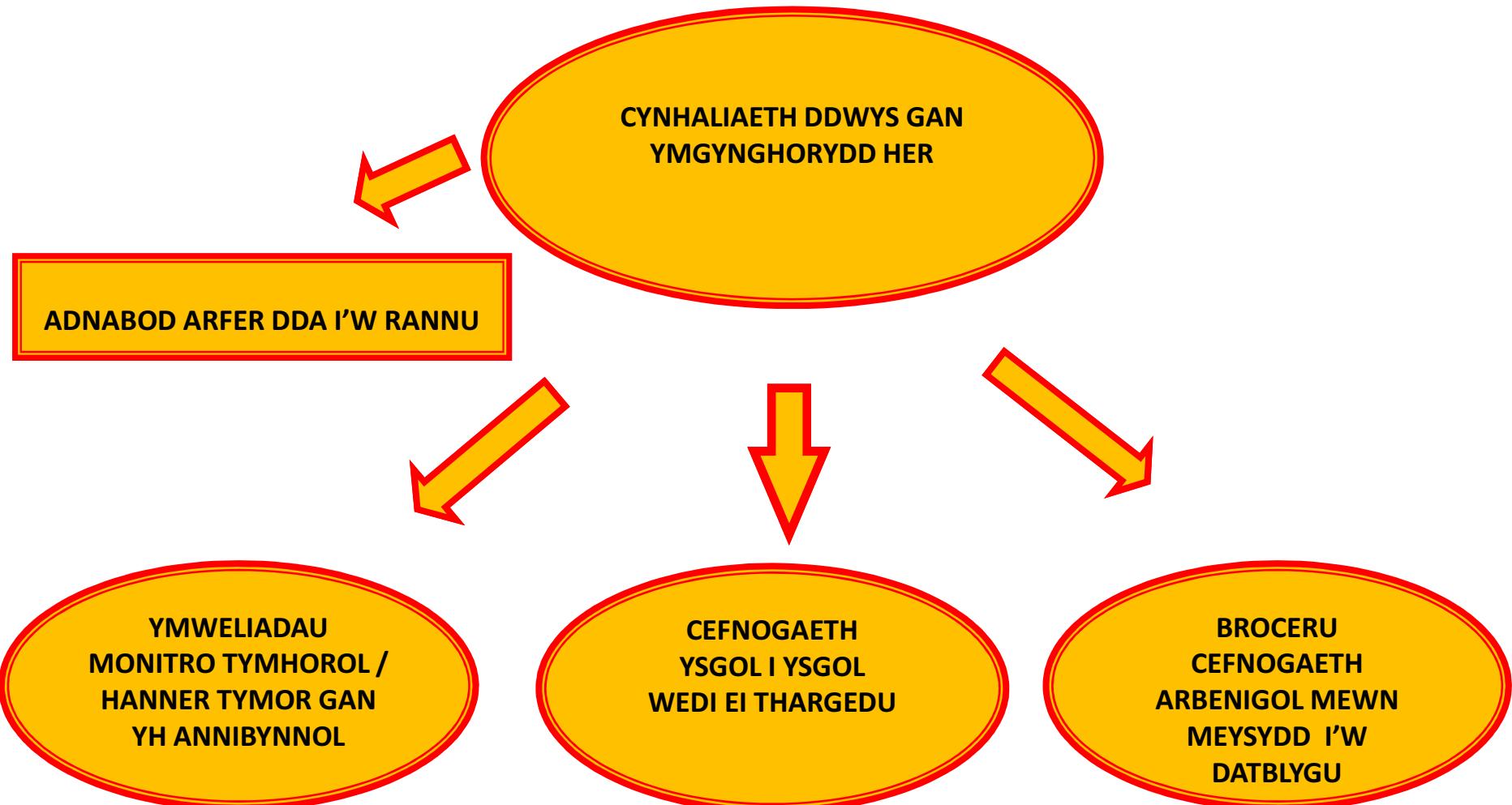
## Adeiladu ar hyn ...

- ▶ Ysgolion oren a choch i gael chymorth a chefnogaeth dwys gan yr Ymgyng'horydd Her
- ▶ Targedu cynhaliaeth ar gyfer gwella [comisiynir gan naill ai Cydweithio Ysgol i Ysgol neu ddarparu cefnogaeth arbenigol gan GwE]
- ▶ Ymweliadau monitro ac adroddiadau gan yr Ymgyng'horydd Her

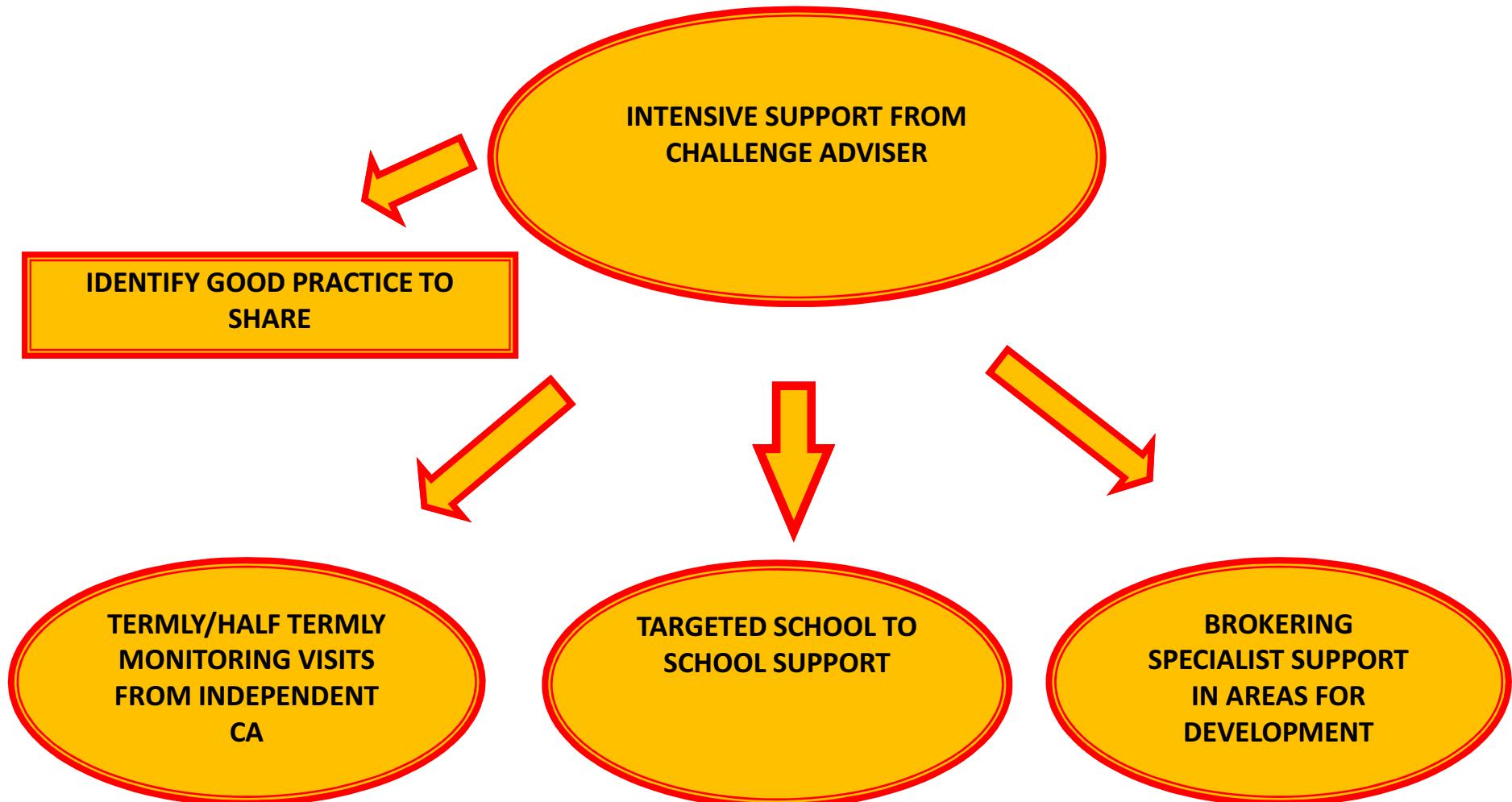
## Building on this ...

- ▶ Amber and red schools to have intensive challenge and support by the Challenge Adviser
- ▶ Targeted support for improvement [commissioned either by School to School collaboration or specialist support provided by GwE]
- ▶ Monitoring visits and reports provided by Challenge Adviser

## YSGOLION MELYNGOCH A CHOCH



## AMBER AND RED SCHOOLS





## Os am wneud hyn ...

- ▶ Angen cyfathrebu clir a di-amwys efo ysgolion
  - ▶ Hyfforddiant i YH ar sut i sicrhau y defnydd mwyaf effeithiol o'r cyd-destun grŵp
  - ▶ Sesiynau torfol efo ysgolion gwyrdd/melyn cadarn i egluro'r disgwyliadau
  - ▶ Blaenorriaethu'r defnydd o'r cynhwysedd ychwanegol
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## If we are to do this we need ...

- ▶ Clear, unambiguous communication with schools
- ▶ Training for CAs on ensuring the most effective use of the group context
- ▶ Full briefing sessions with green/strong yellow school to explain the expectations
- ▶ Prioritise the use of the additional capacity ...



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