Minutes of the Lead Governors Meeting

Tuesday 3rd March 2020 @ 6pm

Please note: This meeting is open to the public. Meeting dates are published in the school newsletter and on the website. If you would like to attend please notify the Clerk to the Governors.

CHAIRED BY: Liam Cottrell	LC	CLERKED BY: Kirsten Wake	KW
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PRESENT: Caroline Down (CD), Darren Newland (DN), Kirsten Wake (KW), Laura Handel (LH), Liam Cottrell (LC), Liz Beckett (LB), Lynnette Selbie (LS), Matt Morgan (MM), Matt Page (MP), Nick Nottley (NN), Pat Dickinson (PD), Sue Gawman (SG), Tim Bonney (TB)

APOLOGIES: None

NIL HEARD FROM: None

Item Ref.	Minutes	Action
LG19/20_12	Apologies for Absence	
	Harriett Roberts has resigned as parent governor.	
	There were no other apologies for absence.	
LG19/20_13	Attendance & Governors Business/Pecuniary Interest Register	
	Governors present signed the Attendance Sheet.	
	Interests declared – No interests declared.	
LG19/20_14	<u>Vision – Where are we now?</u>	
	Matters arising from the meeting – 7 th January Staffing structure is available on eschools, in the policies section. An updated governor roles document has been published on the website.	COMPLETED COMPLETED
	Minutes of the last meeting – 7 th January Approved and signed by the Chair.	DECISION

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LG19/20_15	15 Governance – What still needs to be done?	
	Coronavirus Update LS reported that updates are regularly received from Devon County Council. Reported to governors the precautions which have been taken.	
	Q1. Have there been any bullying incidents reported at school, relating to coronavirus? (CD) A. LS confirmed that there had been no incidents.	CHALLENGE
	Q2. If school had to be closed, what would the plans for home learning be? (TB) A. LS reported that the school emergency plan would be used.	CHALLENGE
	Governors were asked, by the Chair, to direct any questions from parents to the office.	
	Development Plan No updates have been made to the development plan.	
LG19/20_16	<u>Lead Governors</u>	
	<u>Reports</u>	
	Quality of Education	
	Curriculum LC asked for governors to consider the reallocation of the curriculum monitoring responsibilities, to increase the number of governors monitoring this area. Governors discussed ways of splitting the role. LS clarified that the governors' role will be to monitor how effectively subject leaders are checking the progression of their subject areas across the school. Governors agreed to discuss a reorganisation of the structure at the next FGB.	c/f FGB
	LC reported the type of questions he had asked in his monitoring report. LC has suggested to some teachers that he will go on a school visit to see the impact of curriculum maps and talk to the children to gain evidence.	
	SEND CD gave a summary of her monitoring sheet. She highlighted the matter of the SENCO role and the budgetary questions she has submitted.	
	Q3. Would it be possible to share a SENCO with another school? (CD) A. LS confirmed that discussions will take place with other schools to explore any opportunities.	CHALLENGE
	Reading MM reported on his monitoring of the development of fluency in reading across the school. He reported that teacher knowledge of reading material has now been added as an appraisal target. Teachers are being encouraged to model a love for reading, so that they read whilst children are reading in class. Teachers are also encouraging children to read an increasing range of books. New books have been ordered to improve resources.	
	Q4. Are teachers reading aloud to their class? (PD) A. MM confirmed they are reading aloud from two different books everyday.	CHALLENGE

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	Behaviour and Attitude NN gave a summary of his monitoring. Personal Development LB gave a summary of her monitoring.	
	RSE It has been agreed that the document covering social and moral learning needs to be updated.	ACTION LB
	LB to attend the Relationship and Sex Education consultation with parents.	ACTION LB
	Online safety LB spoke to a cross section of children, who were all familiar with the 'zip it, block it, flag it' system. Some had told their parents that they needed to update their security on social media, so they had applied the message to their home situation.	
	MP reviewed the lesson and assembly planning for online safety. He noted that the Online Safety Policy was due for renewal in September, and asked whether that should be reviewed. MP to follow up with CH.	ACTION MP
	Leadership and Management	
	DN and LS to agree dates for review.	ACTION DN/LS
	LS reported that RAG rated SSIP is now available on eschools.	
	CPD LS confirmed that she keeps a record of all staff CPD information, including inhouse training. Q5. Is there a call up record for mandatory training? (NN) A. LS confirmed that we do keep a record of first aid and safeguarding expiration dates. SG keeps the first aid training record and CD reviews the safeguarding training record as part of her monitoring.	CHALLENGE
	Headteacher appraisal LC asked governors to consider whether they felt the Chair should be involved in the headteacher appraisal, or whether the Vice Chair and one other governor might take on this role. Governors discussed the pros and cons. Governors agreed to set an agenda item for the next FGB to discuss further. Appeals process for headteachers – KW to investigate.	c/f FGB ACTION KW
	Safeguarding One minute guides on safeguarding issues have been disseminated to teaching staff. Q6. How are the guides disseminated to support staff – particularly MTAs? Question to be added to the headteaachers report.	CHALLENGE ACTION LS
	LB reported that she has gained her Level 3 safeguarding certificate.	
	Early Years	
	PD gave a summary of her monitoring sheet.	

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	Meeting closed 7.15pm	

DATE OF NEXT LEAD GOVERNORS MEETING: Tuesday 9th June 2020

These minutes are agreed

*Without amendment	/ with the following	amendments (*please	delete as	appropriate).
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Signed: Dated:

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