



**Teaching Learning and Community Committee
held on
Monday 27 March 2017 at 4.30pm**

Present

Rosemary Jones	Chair	Vice Chair of Governors
Boo Edleston		Head Teacher
Julie Angus		Co-opted Governor
Lesley Wrenshall		Staff Governor
Jo Hillman		Parent Governor
Lorna Jones		Minute Taker

RJ welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **Apologies** . Keeley Shand

2. **Minutes of the last meeting held on 30 January 2017** . Agreed as a true record.

3. **Matters Arising**

- Item 4 Safeguarding - Still waiting for SEN report from Governing Board member
- Item 6 Pupil Premium Report - Free School Meals forms have been given to the Food Bank to distribute as needed
- Three new laptops have been brought, for the price of one Apple Mac, but now waiting until the end of the year to buy the rest of the laptops for all staff
- Tree survey has been completed and planning permission has been given for the hall extension
- The outcome of the CIF bid will be known towards the end of April 2017

4. **Safeguarding**

The E-Safety policy had been reviewed by BE and RJ and a decision was made to make no changes this year. The policy is customized from the LA policy and no changes had been made to the LA policy. The IT co-ordinator is now Nicola Jones. BE is the school lead for internet safety.

5. **Special Needs Report**

The SEND report was circulated to the Governors. LW talked through the report to the committee. A number of children are being closely monitored. The report covered the following:-

- Emotional Social and Mental Health
- Progress
- SATs
- Transition
- Nurture/Therapy
- CPD
- Teaching Assistants
- SENCO Role

An EHCP has been approved and next steps are being planned. The LA is yet to approve the financial package for the special school. Pear Tree are chasing the LA for the EHCP funding now that the EHCP is approved.

Parent with a Smile . A Parenting Course - two dates have been offered for this course but has been cancelled due to low take up.

Star Day . it allows parents of SEND children to have an additional time not available in parent evening - was very successful.

SATs - can be very stressful for the children and the school are endeavouring to ensure they stay calm and build their resilience, especially those with additional needs. The school is applying for concessions for some children. A file is being put together to evidence any extra support any child has, following the SATs regulations to the letter.

Governors are very welcome to look at the evidence file that is put together for SATs.

There have been some children who have had to be escorted from classrooms over the past few weeks for their own and others safety. Parents have been informed and discussions have taken place on how to move forward. There have been no exclusions but two children are at risk of exclusion due to their behaviour. This behaviour is very draining on staff as they all work incredibly hard.

Discussions take place in class about different behaviour, if parents are happy to talk, but not always the case.

There is not up dated progress data from the spring term yet but will be presented at the next meeting, as the term is not yet at a close.

RJ stated that it is very rewarding, as a reader, to see all children making progress, including SEN children, the children have confidence whatever their ability.

Action

The SATs evidence file to be brought to the next meeting on 08 May 2017

6. Pupil Premium Report

The Pupil Premium and Pupil Premium Plus report for the Spring Term had been circulated to the committee with the agenda. BE talked the committee through the report which highlights the intervention and additional provision category given to each PP and PP+ child. The report shows if the gap is narrowing. If the gap is not narrowing or the interventions are not working then they are stopped and other interventions are arranged.

Currently 6% of the total school population receive Pupil Premium or Pupil Premium +.

Along with the report a breakdown of the Pupil Premium and Pupil Premium + funding was received detailing how the funding was spent for 2016/17. BE stated that a breakfast club takes place every school morning between 8.40am and 09.10am for children that have difficulties with social interaction, behaviour issues and not having breakfast before coming to school. It is working very well with around eight children

attending.

A Governor asked where the funding was from for the breakfast club. BE replied from the Pupil Premium and Pupil Premium + fund as the majority of children going to the breakfast club are Pupil Premium or Pupil Premium +.

RJ thanked BE for the very good report.

7. Policies to be reviewed

The following policies have been reviewed and signed by the committee.

- ~ Physical Intervention
- ~ Intimate Care
- ~ Allegations of Abuse
- ~ Freedom of Information
- ~ Safety in the Sun
- ~ Equality & Diversity
- ~ E-Safety Policy
- Complaints Policy

8. Quality of Learning/Curriculum/Standards of Teaching/learning Outcomes

Update on Maths . report to Governors was circulated to the committee. In RH's absence BE talked through the report to the committee, the monitoring/book scrutiny, Doodle Maths, Real life maths, marking in maths book and children falling below ARE. . BE explained the difference between Pupil Progress and Attainment, Ofsted have a greater focus on Pupil Progress rather than ARE.

Governors asked if the next report could have a section where the SEN pupils are taken out. JA asked if the committee could know the number of children not making 1.7 ARE.

Action

**To provide a section on the next maths report that excludes the SEN pupils
To state the number of children not making 1.7ARE**

9. Ofsted / DfE / LA Updates

The SIP report was circulated to the committee prior to the meeting. This was a focussed review of teaching and learning that the SIP had undertaken at the request of the Headteacher. BE talked the report through with the committee outlining the strengths, areas for development and actions needed

10. Any Other Business

RJ informed the committee that she had been successful in her application for sitting on the NEP Steering Group. RJ really pleased as she is very committed to the NEP and working with the schools together. The first meeting is on 24 May 2017.

LW stated that the NEP had received an action research bid of £3,000 for attachment and nurture, based on CPP, over six schools starting after half term. The research will be rolled out at the start of the next academic year.

11. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Monday 08 May 2017 at 4.30pm

Dates for the rest of the academic year:

Monday at 4.30pm

10 July 2017

Agenda for next meeting:

- Science Update . C Skyes
- ARE Results
- SATs File Evidence