

Watcombe Primary School

Children and Curriculum Minutes Monday 16th July 2018 at 5:30pm

Present	Apologies	Absence, no apology
<u>Governors</u> Mrs Fiona Prior, Mrs Kelly Snell Mrs Suzanne Beasley Mrs Elly Stevens, Rachel Farrin, Miss Jo Ley, Mr Adam Morris <u>In Attendance</u> Mrs Fleet (Clerk)	Mrs Jill Ireland Mrs Rachel Byford	

1. Welcome and introductions

2. Apologies for absence / Declarations of Pecuniary Interests

Governors received an apology from Mrs Byford.

3. Notification of Items for AOB

- Learning walks to be arranged for autumn term
- Moderation update

4. Adoption of the minutes from 22/03/2018

Roll over action regarding changes in safeguarding policy from September 18.
The minutes were UNANIMOUSLY agreed and signed by Mrs Prior.

5. Data Report from Governors

This has gone out to governors via email. There were not any questions.

6. Link Governor Reports

Mrs Prior said the level of detail and growing understanding is excellent with all our governors, thank you.

Safeguarding

Mrs Snell gave an overview of what was discussed during the safeguarding visit. The complaints with Children's services were looked at and we are currently awaiting feedback from the LA Ofsted inspection.

We have seen a slight increase in child protection plans however across the bay there has been a big increase. It has been questioned why we don't seem to be following the trend and it seems its due to the amount of support we provide to our families, so this is very positive.

GQ: Are we doing too much to support families, and should the LA be doing this instead?

A: Yes probably, but because we do so much for our families is the reason we received the funding last year for the FSW, the funding is just not longer available. There have bene an increase in the amount of police reports we receive. The school are now informed first thing in the morning following an incident to enable the school to deal with the situation effectively rather than finding out about it several days later. The pastoral team are now needing to prioritise the cases they are dealing with. Funding for TESS provision is no longer available so this will now need to be paid for using schools funds as it is a service we access daily.

The safeguarding policy is currently being updated. The updated policy will be sent out to governors electronically and will be added to the full governor's agenda for discussion next term.

Home calling- Mr Morris has been out a lot on home calls when children haven't come into school. We discussed what to do if there isn't any answer at home. It has been decided to get all contact updated and ensure there is also an additional key holder on the contacts list, generally more people are ringing in so it is the home calling is having a positive impact.

Mrs Snell and Mr Morris have both attended the level 3 safeguarding training and are now up to date.

Audited the quality of PEP.

PD, B & W

Mrs Beasley briefly talked governors through her report. A year 6 pupil has been excluded for 14 days and has been given a lot of support, this has had a positive impact and the child is back in school on a part time basis.

Restraint/behaviour log: 1 pupil has had a lot of incidents and has a lot of support in place. When behaviour plans are put in place, parents become involved and they also sign the plan. There are also plans put into place about how best to de-escalate a situation. It has taken time to work out the needs of this particular child and understand the causes of the behaviour. The child has now made good progress throughout the year and has an EHCP in place which is helping to fund the support in place.

GQ: Who would be liable if this child was to injure a staff member?

A: With us.

We do struggle to meet the child's needs but the LA have said there isn't anywhere else for the child to go. The higher the child's needs the harder it is to place them. Mr Morris has sent emails and made calls to talk about additional funding and to ensure everyone's safety.

There haven't been any racial/bullying incidents this term.

Attendance has been very positive; the absences are just under 4% which is in line with the national average.

6.1% (12 pupils) are in the persistent absence category however, most of these are very close to coming out of this category as their attendance is coming back up. Mr Morris did say he cannot guarantee complete accuracy of the attendance figures until the data is released.

SEND

In Mrs Byford's absence it was agreed for the spring and summer terms SEND reports to be circulated September 18.

PP

Miss Ley talked briefly through the PP report. There has been a slight increase in numbers of PP children. Year 4 being the highest. We monitored school procedures, eligibility for PP funding and how to register for FSM. We discussed progress and attainment. PP funding and provision is having a positive impact on pupil's attainment. We will need to look at both the IDSR and ASP to unpick the data.

We need to ensure we are looking at the PP against non- PP and to look at the starting points of the children. This is also included in the full data drop.

GQ: Is there a difference in money for PP and EYPP?

A: I don't know, but will find out.

EYFS

The data shows an increase in levels of development. We looked at the action plan. Children can display their own work. There are learning diaries throughout the school.

Parental perspectives- reading books are sent home. It is informal for parents and this enables them to be able to talk to the teacher when necessary.

The partnership has a negative impact as it makes it difficult to set up the room at the start of the day and it has its frustrations, but it is working ok. It presents challenges with numbers. The staffing structure is stable and this is positive. Relationships are ok, it's just hard to maintain the environment.

7. PP Funding Allocation

This was done at the beginning of the financial year and will be reviewed at the next data meeting.

8. Report on the standards of teaching and learning

The report has been sent out to governors.

GQ: Do TA's get observed as well as teachers?

A: Yes, lesson observations will include the work TA's do however, this does need more embedding. Intervention are also observed but not as regularly and the impact of the intervention is tracked over time

9. AOB agreed at beginning of meeting

Learning walk date needs to be set, initially this will be for governors from the data committee to give a general overview. Mr Morris will email out potential dates for autumn term.

Wednesday 14th November 6-8pm at Oldway there is a governor training session on the IDSR.

Moderation: We were randomly selected for a writing moderation. The moderator agreed with most of our judgements but disagreed with one and therefore asked to see others and they were also re-moderated. We did appeal the decision. The writing results have therefore been rigorously analysed and not as healthy as we had hoped. We know our judgements are generally accurate because of our internal moderations and moderations with other schools. The writing has now been finalised and outcomes agreed.

KS2 outcomes won't be as strong as previous years however, this was anticipated, and we won't know progress until November. This has been a very challenging cohort.

10. Impact/outcome of Meeting

Link governor reports shared with the committee

Updated on the standards of teaching and learning.

Governors aware of changes being made to safeguarding policy

11. Date of next meeting

10/12/2018

	What?	Who?	When?
	Circulate SEND reports for spring and summer terms	Rachel Byford	Sept 18
	Resend governor email addresses out	Clerk	This term

	Review TOR's in September		Sept 18
	Add new safeguarding policy to full govs agenda autumn term 18 (review Changes)	Clerk	Sept 18
	Annual report to govs to be added to TOR		
	Find out if there is a difference in money for PP and EYPP? (Agenda item 6-PP Report)	Mr Morris	Next C&C Meeting
	Email out potential dates for autumn term to carry out the learning walk	Mr Morris	ASAP
	Allegations to be added to the full govs agenda (re safeguarding link gov report)	Clerk	Autumn Term 18