



Christ Church C of E VC Infant School

Standards & Curriculum Committee

Caring Governors, Courageously Challenging, Inspiring All

Minutes of meeting held on 24th March 2023 @ 9.05am in School.

Committee Members: Anna Martin, Gareth Jones, Amelia Gould, Jenny Sheppard, Robin Butcher (Chair), Julie Wilkins, Alicia Ancel-Browne

Clerk: Laura Jones

37/20 Welcome and Apologies

Chair welcomed Governors to the meeting. Apologies received in advance of the meeting and accepted from JW, AG, and A A-B. CD joined the meeting to shadow the committee.

38/20 Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

None declared.

39/20 Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as a true reflection of the meeting.

40/20 Governors Actions and Commitments

None to cover.

41/20 Governor Courses

None discussed.

42/20 Governor Monitoring

JS met with SENCO and PP lead and Governor and asked various questions during the meeting.

Governor to talk about the data with SD and feed back any key questions to Governors for SD to put in their report.

43/20 Heads Report

Head gave a verbal update to Governors. Looked at the school improvement plan and highlighted areas of focus are pupil conferencing and regarding behaviour and attitudes about supporting learners to develop a more positive attitude towards making mistakes. Teachers modelling and taught opportunities for developing a growth mindset.

Children's attitudes have begun to change when making mistakes and look upon this as an opportunity to improve due to the language used and perseverance.

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Head showed Governors examples of how the children are improving their work in their books and how they feel about it.

44/20 Helen Smith (Maths lead)

Helen gave an in-depth overview to Governors regarding Maths and what has been changed since Ofsted. Shared a handout with Governors which was also circulated post meeting.

Identified areas from the Ofsted inspection for development such as problem-solving opportunities to be consistently embedded to enable children to build on their fluency skills. Discussed how children at all levels of attainment need to be able to reason and problem solve. Talked about how children use differentiation and long/high/triple jump challenges. Provision and challenge across Maths is excellent and teacher are learning and adapting all the time. Noted teacher are ensuring the challenges are challenging enough following assessments of the children's book.

Governor – Queried how parents are being communicated what to do next to push the children at home?

The termly report and the parents evening should identify this for the child as well as updates in the newsletter with additional challenges and activities to do. Head added a document could be shared with parents at the parent's evenings detailing how children can be stretched at home.

Discussed reasoning and problem solving with Governors. Mystery challenge has been changed to Reasoning challenge. Asked Governors to refer to the pack to understand reasoning. Also making it more visual and less writing to more children can access the maths curriculum.

Governor – Queried if the reasoning challenges have come off the back of Ofsted.

This was on the action plan already and part of the maths curriculum, just not completely embedded.

A problem-solving lesson is based on research as to what a problem-solving lesson should look like and adapting this. Problem solving day to be organised with the Juniors to bridge the gap between Y2 – 3.

Discussed introduction of S Plans as Maths is time consuming in terms of resource and planning so the objective is to interlink the learning and to ensure best practice is used and use a one-page key document.

45/20 Policy Review

Freedom of information publication scheme (privacy Notice) Staff/children. – Approved by Governors.

NOP and EOP Swimming Pool - Approved by Governors.

Physical Activity/Swimming Pool – Circulated post meeting and approved offline by Governors.

Science - Approved by Governors.

Writing - Approved by Governors.

46/20 AOB

None to discuss.

47/20 Date of Next meeting:

12.05.23 @ 09:05am in school

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Meeting closed @ 10:20am

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