

MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BODY PERFORMANCE AND STANDARDS MEETING HELD TUESDAY 27TH JUNE 2023; COMMENCING AT 5.30 P.M. AT WHITESTONE INFANT SCHOOL, MAGYAR CRESCENT, NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

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Present : Mrs. N. Green, Mr. C. Atkins, Mr. P. Johnson, Mr. S. Shaw, Mr. P. Stokes, Miss. K. Ford, Mrs. R. Warwick, Mrs. E. Johnson and Mr. D. Robinson,

In Attendance : Miss. J. Ivers (Deputy Head) and Miss. G. Matt (Clerk).

In The Chair – Mr. S. Shaw.

1. Welcome and Apologies.

Mr. Shaw, the chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies were received and accepted from Mr. M. Hartopp, Mrs. F. Chadaway, Dr. S. Hill and Mrs. M. Burdett. All these governors were attending parent's evenings at their children's schools.

2. Minutes and Matters Arising.

Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 17th January 2023 were read, agreed and signed by the Chair.

ACTION Governors suggested that the post of Caretaker be advertised on Whitestone Community Forum Facebook. Action completed.

ACTION Mrs. Green had a copy of all the data for Warwickshire schools and would bring this along to a future meeting. Action completed.

3. Declaration of Interest.

Mr. Atkins declared an interest in items relating to Chetwynd Junior School and Etone College.

Mr. Johnson declared an interest in items relating to Stockingford Academy, Nursery Hill Primary School and Trustee of Nuneaton Foodbank.

Mrs. Johnson declared an interest in items relating to the Central England Academy Trust.

4. Review Pupil Attainment and Progress Data.

Whitestone Infant School Data – Summer 2023, National figures are from 2022. Copy with original minutes. The table is to be updated by Mr. Davies (Schools External Advisor).

90 children in cohort 47 boys, 43 girls. 10 Pupil Premium (11%). 43% are summer born. 16% SEN including 3 EHCPs.

Summer 2023. Lots of attainment and progress. Many summer births. Utilise data for action plan next year. EHCPs pupils, run data without this group. The two groups have been treated separately.

Tracking Attainment in Reading, Writing and Maths had been previously circulated. Copy with original minutes. KS1 Summer 2023. Mrs. Green was pleased with the results, lots of pupils made expected progress. The PP pupils have worked extremely hard. Reception data is looking positive.

A governor enquired what has been learnt this year and how can this be expanded upon for the next academic year. The impact of interventions can be clearly observed. Miss. Ford stated that early intervention in Reception next year will make an impact on the data.

Mrs. Green reported that elements of the curriculum that are not performing as predicted will be looked into regarding why pupils are not making expected progress. To look at where we started from, where we should be and now arrived at. Pupil progress is where we started from. Good & outstanding teaching practice is required.

The governors enquired next year from Reception into Year 1 would there be a gradual introduction to a more formal teaching model. Mrs. Green replied that Reception to Year 1 transition was raised in the last Ofsted Inspection. Next year in Reception there will be three pupils with EHCPs.

Phonic screening outcome – Year 1 Summer 2 2023 had been previously circulated. Copy with original documents.

Year 1. 89 pupils took the test. 14 pupils retook the Phonics test and 13 pupils passed. 18 pupils would need extra support to pass the Phonics test and their parents are aware of this.

Year 2. 99% Year 2 pupils passed – 1 SEND pupil did not meet the expected standard.

KS1 Teacher Assessment Comparative Report had been previously circulated. Copy with original minutes.

Focus on KS1 data, achieved 80% in Reading. Whitestone is in 20% of top national figures. The PP gap has closed over the year in Reading.

Writing 79%. Mrs. Green stated that the standard of Writing has been raised throughout the whole school and getting pupils to expected level.

Maths 92%. Covering everything in Maths that is needed, e.g. undertaking addition in many different ways, understanding the formula, mathematical thinking. There are many training opportunities for staff in delivering Maths through a mastery approach.

SATs Analysis 2023 Summer Term for governors.

Mrs. Green stated that she was extremely pleased with all the progress made.

Although not at the meeting, Mr. Hartopp had sent in a written report that Mrs. Green read out. Mr. Hartopp had read all the reports and congratulated staff on their hard work that had produced positive progress. The data was easy to follow and intervention is reflected in the results.

Other governors stated that they could observe the impact of RWI on these results.

Mrs. Green stated that all new staff members get the correct subject training to target teaching.

In Maths, any pupils struggling with the subject receive intervention on the same day to enable them to understand what is being taught.

5. Standard Item/SEF Discussion (Away Day).

A governor enquired what confidence have governors got in the data which is moderated against other schools.

Mrs. Green replied that we must be outward looking regarding our data. Governors must continue to ask questions. Mr. Davies (Whitestone External Advisor) visits Whitestone on a regular basis and he rigorously observes our data. Staff are continually challenging each other regarding progress and data.

Governors held a discussion regarding their involvement at an Ofsted Inspection. We have numerous sets of data as proof of evidence of pupil progress. Governors have knowledge of school management and leadership. What questions Ofsted would ask is dependent on the Ofsted Inspection team members on the actual Inspection day.

At this point Mr. Atkins left the meeting at 6.25 p.m.

6. Policies.

Marking Policy, this is to be signed off and dated by the Chair at the next meeting.

7. Correspondence.

The Clerk has emailed the Governors Information from the LA.

8. Any Other Business.

Governors enquired were there any update on the school expansion plans.

Mrs. Green replied that the architect had visited school regarding what the requirements of Whitestone are for this new build. The plans are that Year 2 would have a new four classroom block. The front of the school would be remodelled to include an interview room and a visiting professional's meeting room.

The plans would be submitted to the LA for a feasibility study. In September 2023 actual new build plans would be confirmed. The project would commence in 2025 with completion in 2026.

9. Dates of the next meetings.

Pay Committee – Tuesday 4th July 2023; from 5.30 p.m. until 6.30 p.m.

FRSC – Tuesday 11th July 2023; from 5.30 p.m. until 6.30 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.30 p.m.

Date Signed

(Chair)