

Lanesend Primary School Full Governing Board Meeting Wednesday 30th March 2022 at 18:00

Present	Initials	Apologies	Initials
Ian Carrington	IC	Emma Norton	EN
Caroline Sice	CS		
Sue Pilsworth	SP		
Laura Augustus	LAu		
Kate Smyth	KS	Absent	Initials
Tara Hopkinson	TH		
Steve Dixon	SD	In Attendance	Initials
Jo Hunter	JLH	Katie Pevreall (Clerk)	KP
James Hall	JHa		
Andrea Flux	AF		

No Actions

1 Welcome, apologies, quorum

1a IC welcomed everyone to the meeting. At least six (6) trustees were present throughout the meeting, so the meeting was quorate.

2 Declarations of any other urgent business

2a Trustees were reminded to make use of their NGA access. The magazine was available as a physical copy.

3 Declarations of pecuniary or personal interest

3a CS: employed at the school with a daughter and niece also employed at Lanesend.

SD: wife employed at Lanesend

AF: employed at the school with a daughter also employed at Lanesend

TH: employed at the school

LAu: husband also employed at another local Academy

4 Minutes of Previous Meeting 26/01/2022

4a JLH proposed to accept the minutes as a true record, JHa seconded and all agreed.

5 Actions from Previous Meeting 26/01/2022

5a KP agreed to obtain the picture for SP from her lanyard.

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5b All other actions had been completed.

6 Committee Group Reports

- **CCG** had discussed behaviour and attendance both of which were good. The school would be training other schools in MAYBO in the coming weeks. VW had informed the group that the amount of time it was taking to gather evidence for the judicial review was significant.
- **MCG:** AC had been working from home to input all the outstanding invoices and data and had been making real progress. The auditors would be visiting on 7th April to look at the new system and put in the journals for the beginning of the year.

- Once AC had completed the training for the budget planner, budget information would be input. There would be increased NI costs, pay rises and energy costs to consider in the new budget. The school would also have to consider the predicted low numbers for YR intake for the coming years. A group of six governors/trustees and three headteachers were discussing the falling numbers and trying to establish a solution.
- The school was monitoring the cash flow with bank statements. A supplementary grant of approximately £56,000 would be received in stages with the first payment coming in Summer 2.
- Solar for Schools had presented to the group. They would install solar panels onto the roof at no upfront cost to the school. The solar electricity would then be sold to the school at a fixed rate. The group had agreed that Solar for Schools could continue to the next stage and write to the Secretary of State for approval.
- The energy contract was due for renewal. It was hoped that the school could wait until June to agree to another contract and be part of the whole island approach. Energy costs were due to increase by a minimum of 100%.
- **7LG:** The main focus was assessments and standards with assessments coming up for Y1, 2, 4 and 6. NN's catch-up data was also shared and trustees noted that the majority of pupils had made good progress. Any pupils who had not made good progress had a personalised plan put in place. The data was available to all trustees on governorhub.

7 Headteacher Report

- **7a** A report on the impact of covid had been shared prior to the meeting. Staff wellbeing continued to be impacted by covid with fatigue a major concern.
- **7b** CS had calculated that the children had lost 91 school years and this continued to rise. It continued to be difficult to manage children's missed learning. The school felt that assessments this year would be impacted, and children were anxious about their upcoming assessments. The school were seeking to manage that anxiety.
- **7c** Children were talking about worries more since covid and this had also been impacted by the war in Ukraine.
- 7d Trent had produced graphs comparing progress rates now to March 2020 for all pupils, PP pupils and SEN pupils. Some data had been lost in the cyber-attack and FLiC weightings had been altered since March 2020.
- **7e** Social etiquette had been impacted by covid. When they first returned to school after lockdown children lacked resilience, stamina and concentration. Referrals to mental health services had decreased during covid and these had now increased again.
- **7f** Children showed less interest in the mile run and sporting competitions.

Q: Is this predominantly children who don't take part in sport outside of school or all children?

A: All children.

Y1 had been the most impacted by covid as their preschool and reception years were very disrupted. The changes that had been implemented in Y1 had been successful and the team were now getting the children ready for Y2.

- **7h** Trustees felt that ensuring families felt less distance from the school community needed to be a priority. The main area of concern was parental support in the academic progress of their children. Disadvantaged children and children with SEN were the most affected by this. Trustees discussed the ways in which the school may be able to increase parental engagement.
- **7i** Covid catch-up had been very successful, and trustees would consider whether the budget would allow for an LSA to be available to each year group to provide this support. It was noted that the tutoring programme had not been accessible to people on the Isle of Wight and CS agreed to raise this with the RSC.
- 7j The report noted that in the two years that the new leadership structure had been in place the team had been unable to complete their roles fully due to the pandemic. The trustees were aware of this but felt the team was still effective.

8 Wellbeing Link Report

- **8a** SD had not visited the school in this capacity since the previous FGB.
- **8b** Dr Emma Kell had visited the school and the school would be using her wellbeing spidergram to see if there are any patterns in wellbeing across school.

9 Trustee Business

9a Trustees discussed recording their visit reports. It was noted that any reports could be sent to the clerk to include on the SIP monitoring sheet.

10 Predicted Pupil Numbers

10a Final numbers would be received in Mid-April but 43 YR children were expected.

11 Polices

11a SD proposed to adopt the following policies, LAu seconded and all agreed:

First Aid Policy
Home Visit Policy
Transporting Children Policy
ECT Policy

12 AOB

12a None

13 Date of next Meeting

13a 15th June 2022

ACTIONS

Page	Item	Action	Resp.
1	4a	To file agreed Minutes of 26/01/2022 to arrange for them to be uploaded	KP
		to the website	
1	5a	KP to obtain SP picture for website	KP
3	7i	CS to raise accessibility of tutoring prog with RSC	CS

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