# PERIVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL A Full Governing Board Meeting was held in School on Tuesday 21 March 2023

### **MINUTES**

Attendees:	Actions
Gemma Bartlett (GB)	
Sandip Bhalsod (SB)	
Audrey Daley (AD)	
Chris Green (CG)	
Robert Hawkes (RH)	
Matthew Hemsley (MH)	
Rabiaa Khairoun RK)	
Shabnam Khan-Bhandari (SKB)	
Dharmic Meggi (DM)	
Duncan Partridge (DP)	
Sharine Tyndale (ST)	
Edmond Yeo (EY)	
Also in Attendance	
Lorraine Mackenzie (LM)	
Roxie Mitchell (RM)	
Stella Porter (SP)	
Lennie Sarkis (LS)	
Sinead ???	
1. Welcome	
CG welcomed AD back.	
CG stated that going forward he wanted to see papers available to Governors 2 weeks in advance	
of meetings. CG added that any papers tabled less than 5 days before a meeting will not be	
considered.	
2. Apologies for absence	
Apologies were received from Christian Franco (CF)	
All other Governors were in attendance.	
3. Authorised / Unauthorised absence	
The absence for CF was authorised.	
<b>4.</b> Declaration of any other business There were no declarations of other business.	
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5. Declaration of interest in any agenda items	
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6. Presentation on Reading	
Sinead provided an update on reading.	
Sinead was the phonics lead last year.	
• This was an update to the presentation at the last Standards, Teaching and Learning (ST&L)	
meeting.	
The last monitoring was in January.	
<ul> <li>Teacher planning had gone well.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Children were happy to talk about their reading.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>More work is required on the understanding of vocabulary.</li> </ul>	

- We received positive feedback from the recent LA health check.
- We model reading.
- SKB undertook a reading visit last week.
- We undertake half termly assessments.
- SHINE targeted interventions are very positive.
- We held a parent workshop on how we teach reading.
- RH will be visiting on Thursday to review interventions.
- CG asked how we communicate with parents re interventions.
  - o Parents evenings.
- CG asked if that was soon enough?
  - o No.

CG thanked Sinead for the update.

#### 7. Headteacher's Report

The Headteacher's Report and various attachments were pre-circulated.

- o Of the 205 applications for Reception Places in September 66 were 1<sup>st</sup> choice.
  - o Maximum is 60.
- The next data drop will be available after Easter, and there will be an update at ST&L on 16 June.
  - The data will also be circulated to all Governors.
- There will be a need for more accurate moderation this year; this was distorted last year due to the number of teachers leaving in the summer term.
- We will baseline Reception in the summer this year rather than Autumn as we did last year.
  - o This will mean that we can identify any catch up that is required.
- o CG asked about training for KCSIE training for new joiners.
  - This is undertaken by RM.
- A recent KCSIE quiz sent to staff had a good response.
  - This will inform future training.

## RM was asked to provide details for the area of needs for the 46 pupils at SEN support e.g. communication and interaction.

- The new Premises manager has lots of experience and is very strong.
  - CG asked if this appointment went to the pay committee NO.
- DP asked about the admin vacancies.
  - There were no suitable candidates for the higher level.
  - o DM stressed that we should test skills at interview.
  - o We originally advertised:
    - Level 9 35 hours per week.
      - Bursarial Services have since suggested that Level 7 is OK.
      - SB stressed that we need to include reviews of the website as part of the role.
    - Level 6 20 hours per week.
- o One member of staff currently on maternity leave has asked to return part-time.
  - o AD has agreed to this.
- SKB asked if the family liaison / parent link which is funded from Pupil Premium will be accessible to parents?
  - Yes, at set times.
- CG asked if the recent incident with the smell of gas had been reported to the LA.
  - Yes to LA portal.
  - o SP / AD to forward the report to AON for circulation.

 AON pointed out that there had been similar incidents in the past which actually related to methane in the drains.

- a) Learning Improvement Plan (LIP)
- The LIP has been RAG Rated for the spring.
  - DP asked about the significance of the items in yellow.

SP / AD

This equals "in progress." Priority 2 We are working on assessment tracking for September roll-out. We have staff buy-in. o The main focus on EAL children. There is a change in approach with Teachers delivering in class. Staff were not confident. The Educational Psychologist has / will deliver 2 training sessions. We will also be attending therapeutic thinking training. Priority 3 Most areas are at yellow / green. RH asked about the progress on subject leaders taking ownership. o To be assessed by Learning Walks, Pupil voice and Book Looks SB asked if this will be reviewed by the Subject Leader and the Leadership Team. Subject Leaders will quality assure. SP was asked about preparation for Deep Dives, Ofsted etc. The subject leader feeds back to SLT and staff. SP pointed out that the key area for development is the non-negotiables. • There will be a standard format for all curriculum areas. There will also be a model for observations. The whole school curriculum map will go on the website when ready. CG asked how parents will know about the required skills, and how does the LIP fit with this. Half termly curriculum maps. o Required skills will be included in the 2023 / 2024 curriculum map. Parents will be alerted. 8. Review of External Audit Reports a) Internal Audit Report (Finance) The Internal Audit Report was again pre-circulated. This is based on the annual SFVS return. Governors asked when this would likely be reviewed again. CG CG will ask Kim Price at the deficit recovery meeting on 21 April. CG proposed that we commit to analyse this by the end of the summer term. Agreed. CG said that he was happy to oversee the review and allocate the responsibilities. DP stated that this review needs staff involvement. SB questioned which areas are really an issue, rather than just record keeping. b) LA Health Check The LA Health check report was pre-circulated. RH pointed out that the website needs updating. School: SP has downloaded the check list. Governors: DP will review. CG asked who is responsible in school for the website. o AD initially said that all are accountable. AD subsequently said that the SBM was responsible. RH observed that the feedback was positive, acknowledging the work that is being done. CG said that this had been very useful and proposed a further review in 3 months. o RH suggested that 3 months would be too soon. RS to establish the cost for a subsequent review. RS

There will be team planning.

We need to ensure the consistency across EYFS.

SP suggested that if there was an Ofsted inspection tomorrow we could be "borderline"

CG suggested that the LA review and Ofsted do not necessarily correlate.

- SKB is the link Governor for EYFS.
- AD said that school policies have names of staff that have left.
- o DM asked how staff are feeling.
  - o GB said that there are issues with staff wellbeing lot is required of staff.
  - o CG pointed out that there is no point person for wellbeing.
    - AD said that LM / RM are responsible for staff wellbeing.
    - AD added that we need an action plan.
    - LM said that we have established a working party from across the school.
    - We have undertaken a staff survey.
      - The main issue was communication.
      - GB added staff need to be listened to.
    - CG proposed appointing a wellbeing lead in school ask staff who is interested, perhaps an ECT.
  - o GB / SP added that staff can ask for time out.
  - o GB said that staff wellbeing needs to be looked at.

#### 9. Governance Matters

- a) Governor Vacancies
- 1 x Co-opted Governors
- DP again asked Governors for nominations.
- DP will also follow up with Governors.

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- b) Governor Visits
- Schedule for 2022 2023
- A number of Governors (apart from DP and RH) have yet to populate the schedule.
- All Governors to complete by 31 March.

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- SEND 10/03/2023 ST
- The report was pre-circulated.
- Staff buy-in is an issue because they are being asked to do a lot e.g. updates for parents.
- Curriculum Intent 07032023 RH
- The report was pre-circulated.
- Noted.
- Curriculum Intent 23112022 RH
- The report was pre-circulated.
- The objectives were to:
  - Look at the scope of the intent.
  - o Review the implementation of e.g. curriculum maps.
  - o Review the impact.
  - o Preparation for non-negotiables.
    - CG said that this was a good model.

AD reminded Governors that all visits should be arranged via the Headteacher.

EY has undertaken 2 Premises visits.

Reports to follow.

EY pointed out that Health and Safety is a big issue.

c) Review of Link Governor Responsibilities

- DP proposed that these be reviewed for the next academic year.
- DP suggested that the current allocation was not really equitable.
- Carried forward.

Agenda

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	Agree the minutes of the Full Governing Board Meeting on 06/12/2022 ese were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting and were signed by CG.	
	Matters arising from the Full Governing Board Meeting on 06/12/2022 AD / SP to provide examples of reports to parents. Closed.	
b) •	AD to bring the reading lead to the next meeting.  Closed – agenda item 6.	
c) •	Updated Data Report to the next meeting. Closed – agenda item 7.	
d) •	SEND Policy for the March Meeting Closed – agenda item 16(i).	
e) •	Governors to identify 6 / 8 large companies we can approach re governor vacancies. Closed – agenda item 9(a).	
f) •	Link Governor for Equality.  Closed – RK agreed to take this on.	
g) •	Governor Visit schedule to be completed. Closed – agenda item 9(b).	
h) •	All Governors to complete KCSIE training. <u>Carried forward – SKB, EY.</u>	SKB, EY
i) •	Dates for Governor visits to be agreed. Closed – agenda item 9(b).	
j) •	Resources committee to review the red areas from the Benchmarking Report. <u>Carried forward – to be taken forward by the FAG.</u>	SB
k) •	AD to present a new Complaints Policy. Closed.	
l) •	Feedback – Finance Report. Closed – agenda item 8(a).	
m) •	Complaints Procedure carried forward. Closed.	
n) •	Critical Incident Planning Policy carried forward. Closed – agenda item 16(a).	
o) •	Pupil Premium Strategy / Impact Report carried forward. <u>Carried forward – agenda item 16(f).</u>	Agenda
p) •	School Journey and Residential Trips Policy carried forward. Closed – agenda item 16(h).	
q) •	CF to review the School Journey and Residential Trips Policy. Closed.	
r)	AON to set up access to Governor Room for LM, RM, LS.	

•	Closed.	
	Agree the Minutes of the EFGB meeting on 02/02/2023 ese were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting and were signed by CG.	
13. a)	Matters arising from the EFGB Meeting on 02/02/2023 RH to present at next FGB on Federation. There are 2 types of federation: Soft federation. Hard federation. Joining of 2+ schools with one Governing Board. Covered by DfE guidance. Promotes collaborative work. Federation is a lengthy process – 6 months? We are only at the consideration stage at present. Consultation will be required. RH to circulate the Northamptonshire guidance for information. CG proposed reviewing this further at the end of year Governor Day.	RH Agenda
	Resources Committee Minutes of 11/11/2022, 19/01/2023, 24/02/2023 for noting. ted.	
a) •	Harassment & Bullying Guideline Policy to FGB. Agenda item 16(d).	
b) •	SFVS to next FGB. Agenda item 16(j).	
c) •	Internal Audit Report to next FGB. Agenda item 8(a).	
•	Verbal update on Deficit recovery Plan  The initial version was submitted on 29 February.  The next meeting will be on 20 April  The LA will require a 3 year plan for this meeting.  The FAG will meet to review ahead of the next meeting.  CG asked if everything is in place for the next meeting.  SB said that he will need to check with RS.  SP added that a lot of work is required.  SP also pointed out that the LA have said what is required.	
	Standards, Teaching & Learning Minutes of 10/03/2023 for noting. ted.	
a) •	Governors to receive examples of half termly curriculum maps for each year group.  The curriculum subject-mid term overviews that were circulated were not what was required.  Examples of the correct summaries were subsequently circulated.	
b) •	Curriculum map to FGB before it goes live on the website.  Carried forward.	Agenda
c) •	Update on website development at FGB. <u>Carried forward – also see agenda item 8(b).</u>	Agenda
d)	Link Governor roles to be reviewed at the next FGB.	

•	Agenda item 9(c).	
e) •	Suspension / Exclusion policy to FGB.  Agenda item 16(k).	
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	Policies / Documents for Approval	
a) •	Critical Incident Planning policy  Carried forward.	Agenda
•	Assembly point(s) to be included.	
•	SB said that we should have visibility of the Children's Centre policy	RS
b)	Ealing Schools Buy Backs	
•	Carried forward - Governors sought assurance that these have been reviewed.	Agenda
•	AD said that she would revert to Governors by Friday.	
•	DP questioned if there were any savings that we could make.	
c)	Ealing Schools Counselling Partnership	
•	Carried forward – Governors sought clarification why the contract was dated September	Agenda
_	2022 and only now presented to governors.	
•	AD said that she would revert to governors by Friday.	
d)	Harassment and Bullying Guidelines	
•	<u>Carried forward – SKB pointed out that there was no reference to the protected</u>	Agenda
	<u>characteristics.</u>	
e)	Induction Policy	
•	Approved.	
f)	Pupil Premium Strategy / Impact Report	
•	Carried forward	Agenda
•	CG pointed out that there was little evidence of impact.	
•	CG added that he was not comfortable with this going on the website.	
•	If we were to add this to the website we would be exposed to questions from parents.	
g)	Catch Up Premium Impact Report	
•	Carried forward.	Agenda
•	DP questioned what the £6,370 (Year 1 Rapid Phonics catch-up)had been spent on.	
	Agency cover to release staff, plus additional TA time.  Consisted out that more detail is required.	
•	CG pointed out that more detail is required.	
h)	School Journeys & Residential Trips Policy	
•	Approved.	
i)	SEND Policy	
•	Approved.	
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j) •	SFVS Approved.	
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k)	Suspension & Exclusion Policy	
•	Carried forward.	Agenda
•	This has not been updated to include reference to Suspensions.	
I)	Term Dates 2023 – 2024	
•	Approved.	

m) Terms of Reference – FGB	
Carried forward.	AON
17. Any Other Business as agreed above	
There were no items of other business.	
CG thanked everyone for their participation in what had been a long meeting.	
18. Date and time of next meeting	
Tuesday 25 April 2023 at 4:30PM	