

NEWTON POPPLEFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

TEACHING AND LEARNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Held at Newton Popleford Primary School Tuesday 5th March 2019 at 5.30pm

Present: Stuart Vaughan (Headteacher), Julia Bramble, John Ridgley, Ben McGowan (Acting Chair for this meeting), Jo Cox (Temporary clerk)

Ref	Agenda Item	Action to be taken
1.	Apologies for absence – Governors sanctioned apologies from Bob Tubbs due to work commitments.	
2.	Notice – received	
3.	Declaration of business interests relating to the agenda – None	
4.	Minutes of last meeting on 22nd January 2019 – The minutes were agreed to be a true and accurate record of the previous meeting and signed by BM	
5.	Matters arising from the meeting on 22nd January 2019 : 10. Governor Training. SV advised that he could deliver the Safeguarding training to Governors on either 14 March at 5pm or proposed delivering at 5-6pm on Thursday 21 March and altering the start time of the FGB meeting for that day to 6pm instead of 5.30pm as usual. Those Governors present at this meeting were in favour of the 21 March proposal so SV will check at Resources committee meeting on Thursday and will go with a majority decision.	
6.	Review SDP Learning Environment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work on the Early Years outdoor area is delayed and now due to start on 21.4.19. - Far Field is now all cleared and SV confirmed the school are intending to return to using it ASAP with some classes possibly starting as soon as next week. - SV is awaiting update regarding playground markings Pedagogy & Curriculum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3 theme weeks have been agreed for the next academic year Maths <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NPPS will be a volunteer school for the new Multiplication Tables Check for Year 4 this year before the test is statutory in 2019/20 Assessment for Learning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - as SPTO is being withdrawn from December of this year SV is looking into alternative providers Computing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SV confirmed that we will be receiving £9100 from the 	

	<p>Government which is ring fenced for IT or Buildings spend. SV intending to purchase some new Chromebooks.</p> <p>Mental Wellbeing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HC attended training day regarding Mental Health and will be sharing her learning with the Staff & Governors 	
7.	<p>Building Update</p> <p>SV circulated an written update on the school building progress and issues ahead of the meeting for Governors to review. No questions were raised.</p>	
8.	<p>Safeguarding</p> <p>JB queried</p>	
9.	<p>Governors Training update and Feedback</p> <p>No training has been attended since the last meeting.</p>	
10.	<p>Extra-Curricular Items</p> <p>JB raised that it was identified through Governor Awareness Day in February , following discussions with staff regarding music and arts, that the School Choir is running really well but that there is no longer a School Orchestra or Recorder Group. SV responded that there is no orchestra at present as there have not been enough children playing instruments to run an orchestra. Vanessa Tyrell does private paying music lessons in school. JB asked what is being done for all children in school regarding music? SV confirmed that the requirements of the curriculum are being met. JB asked if there is anyone who could run a recorder club? SV advised not at present that he is aware of. Vanessa was paid by the school for running the orchestra and would need to be paid for whatever club she was approached to do.</p> <p>BM suggested that the children be allowed to access the instruments held in school and have YouTube sessions to just ‘have a go’ with the instruments.</p> <p>JR suggested approaching either the University of the Third Age in Sidmouth or the Sid Vale Association to see if either have members who might like to come in to school to share their love of music and encourage children to play music. JR to investigate a point of contact for each group.</p> <p>BM gave feedback as a parent on the recent Choir event at Sidmouth College that it was a really good day for all involved and asked SV to pass on thanks from the Governors to the staff involved.</p>	<p>JR</p> <p>SV</p>

10.	<p>Policies for Review</p> <p>SEND Policy – reviewed by BT BT supplied comments regarding the policy by email due to his absence. BT confirmed that the policy is generally very good and seems to be designed for parents to read with good introductions to acronyms. BT highlighted a few typos for correction but otherwise no changes required. JR proposed adoption of the policy, JB seconded the motion and all Governors present voted in favour.</p> <p>Intimate Care Policy – reviewed by JB JB asked if this policy has been reviewed by Early Years as seems to be most likely to apply to that area of the school. SV confirmed that yes AT has reviewed with Preschool and EY staff and all is OK with them. Applies to the whole school on occasion but the policy is used daily with preschool children.</p> <p>JB checked that records are kept? SV confirmed yes brief records are kept with the initials of the staff member involved. Paper records are used in Preschool and CPOMS in the rest of the school.</p> <p>JB asked if we have trained staff to deal with medical needs etc? SV confirmed that should their be anything needed in particular then training would be obtained as and when required.</p> <p>JB confirmed that no changes are required to the policy. BM proposed acceptance of the policy, JR seconded the motion and all Governors present voted in favour.</p>	
11.	<p>Polices due for review at next meeting</p> <p>NONE</p>	
12.	<p>Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 7th May 2019 at 5.30pm</p>	

The meeting closed at 6.25pm