

NEWTON POPPLEFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

TEACHING & LEARNING COMMITTEE MEETING

held at Newton Poppleford Primary School

18<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 5.30pm

**Present:**

Stuart Vaughan, Bob Tubbs (Chair), Julia Bramble, Jo Cox (Temporary Clerk)

Ref	Agenda item	Action to be taken
1	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> - Governors sanctioned apologies from Ben McGowan. John Ridgley was also absent from the meeting.	
2	<b>Notice</b> - received	
3	<b>Declaration of Business Interests relating to the agenda</b> - None	
4	<b>Minutes of the last meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019</b> - The minutes were agreed to be a true and accurate record of the previous meeting and were signed by the Chair.	
5	<b>Matters arising from the meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019</b> - 7. Building update: SV advised still waiting for a date for the playground markings to be done. The broken toilet is being replaced this week. New issues identified this week are a leak through the ceiling in the upper corridor by the toilets and also water coming up through the drain into the plant room. An inspection is booked to investigate these 2 issues next week. 10. Action C/F for JR to enquire about a point of contact with the U3A	JR
6	<b>Report from SENDCO</b> HC advised SV that there is not much to update Governors on at this point. SENDCO hours increased for HC from September. SV advised that there will be 3 additional EHCP children in school from September - 2 into Reception and one into Year 5. BT enquired if the EHCP money for these children covers the expense for the additional adults required? SV replied that the expense is not entirely covered by the EHCP income but that for the next year at least there is still a carry forward figure in the budget.	
7	<b>Agree annual SEND report for website</b> SV distributed a paper copy of the SEN Report 2019 to the Governors present and highlighted to them the changes that have been made. JB suggested the inclusion of a reference to Equality.	

8	<p><b>Evaluate the school's PSHE and cultural curriculum</b>  SV advised that there is a new PSHE curriculum to be implemented from September 2020 and advised that in preparation for this from September 2019 on Wednesdays all classes will have the following sessions:  Music with Mary Raffell  RE with Jody Hall  MFL with Els Laureys  IT/coding./internet safety with Becky Turner/SV  PE with Mark Long  PSHE with James Morison/Dawn Gordon</p> <p>There will also be the introduction of Golden Time at the end of the day on Wednesdays allowing children, not on a Red Card, 20 minutes to select their Activity.</p>	
9	<p><b>Review of school prospectus</b>  It is no longer a legal requirement for schools to have a prospectus as all the information previously contained within it is now on the school website. NPPS therefore no longer has a prospectus for Governors to review and this item can be removed from the Annual Cycle.</p>	CLERK
10	<p><b>Report on pupil behavior, including bullying</b>  SV gave the Governors the following information:</p> <p>In 2016 – 17 there were 434 behaviour incidents reported (no breakdown on red and yellow cards available) and 4 Bullying incidents recorded.</p> <p>In 2017 – 18 there were 418 behaviour incidents reported with 120 red cards and 250 yellow cards. 3 Bullying incidents recorded.</p> <p>In 2018 – 19 to date there have been 315 behaviour incidents reported with 102 red cards and 180 yellow cards. 2 Bullying incidents recorded.</p> <p>SV summarised that overall the picture is improving with the number of incidents reducing.</p> <p>BT enquired if the new building has helped? SV responded that he believes it has definitely had a positive impact. For example when moving between classrooms there is now nowhere to hide and so behaviour here has definitely improved.</p>	
11	<p><b>Community and Parent Links</b>  SV commented that the official school opening went well with quite a few visitors coming to have a look at the school.  BT suggested Letting the building to the community for events etc would increase community links - SV confirmed this is being looked in to by the Resources committee with regards to income and insurance.  BT also suggested hosting inter school events in the way that Sidmouth College have been doing recently. SV advised that he thinks this is being considered already by those that organise the events.</p> <p>Governors present expressed disappointment that the Summer Fete organised by the PTFA was again being held at the village Pavilion rather than at the school as this is now a perfect venue for the Fete and would welcome the community into the site again.</p>	

12	<p><b>Questions from Curriculum Team minutes</b> Item to be carried forward to the next meeting as the curriculum teams have not yet met this term.</p>	T&L AGENDA
13	<p><b>Approach to Equality</b> JB has investigated and advised that Ofsted will look into the school's approach to Disability; Race; Religion/Belief; and Sex/Gender. JB has found a toolkit to use to check how the school is doing with regard to Equality which she believes would be beneficial to work through, however, guidance indicated that this shouldn't be looked at as a just a box ticking exercise.</p> <p>JB highlighted that the Equality page on the school website needs looking at.</p> <p>SV confirmed that diversity within the current pupils is very low, if non-existent, in terms of gender, race and physical/mental disability.</p> <p>ACTION: Equality to be retained as permanent ongoing T&amp;L Committee agenda item.</p>	T&L AGENDA
14	<p><b>GDPR</b> SV confirmed that there are no data breaches to be declared and no subject access requests have been received.</p>	
15	<p><b>Policies to review</b> None</p>	
16	<p><b>Policies due for review at the next meeting:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Religious Education</li> <li>• Access to the Internet</li> <li>• Sex and Relationships</li> </ul> <p>ACTION: SV to update RE and SRE policies to reflect the new curriculum and then forward revised policies to BT/JB to review.</p>	BT BM JB  SV
16.	<p><b>Date of next meeting</b> - Autumn 2019 term. Date to be confirmed ACTION: SV to prepare a suggested list of meeting dates to be agreed at FGB meeting in July.</p>	SV/FGB AGENDA

Meeting closed at 6.30pm