



KENTISH TOWN C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Excellent Teaching, Excellent Effort, Excellent Progress:
Every Child, Every Lesson, Every Day**

Love – Equality – Compassion

**PUBLIC MINUTES
FULL MEETING OF THE BOARD
3rd JULY 2024 at 4PM**

In attendance:

| Governor Role | | Name | Present |
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| Foundation Governors (7): | | | |
| Ex Officio (1) | | Father Guy Willis | ✓ |
| LDBS (2) | | Colin Reader, Chair | ✓ |
| | | Shirley Skrentny, Vice Chair | ✓ |
| PCC (2) | | Beata Goodwin | ✓ |
| | | Rachel Wrangham | ✓ |
| Deanery Synod (2) | | Vacancy | X |
| | | Nigel Palmer | X |
| Non Foundation Governors (5) | | | |
| Staff (2): | Head Teacher (1) | James Humphries | ✓ |
| | Teaching Staff (1) | Karen Trussler | X |
| Parent Elected Governor | | Ellie Besley-Gould | ✓ |
| | | Graeme Caul | ✓ |
| Local Authority (LA) (1) | | Hilary Horton | ✓ |
| Associate Members (2) | | | |
| Deputy Head Teacher | | Grant Jacobson | ✓ |
| Support staff member | | Sarah Haag | X |
| | | Emma Benham | ✓ |
| Visitor | | Cheryl Rhyner | ✓ |
| | | Miriam Nadarajah | ✓ |
| Others Present (1) | | | |
| Clerk: | | Pamela Ansley | ✓ |

| | PART 1 – PUBLIC ITEMS | Actions/ Date |
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| 1 | Opening Prayer, Welcome, introductions and Apologies for Absence | |
| | Father Guy opened in prayer. Apologies had been received from Father Nigel due to a recent operation. Sarah was at a conference and Ryan and Karen were on the Year 6 residential. | |
| 2 | Declarations of Interest | |
| | Rachel Wrangham – sits on the SEN Scrutiny panel for Camden. Hilary Horton – Advisor for Grow. | |
| 3 | Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising | |
| | No comments on the minutes of the last meeting so these were agreed. There were no matters arising. | |
| 4 | Safeguarding Report | |
| | Ellie advised that she had met with Grant recently. The report was circulated. GQ: What is a network check? Grant advised that this is when social care receive information and they reach out to the school, doctors etc to see if there is anything to be concerned about. We had achieved the 360 degrees accreditation recently. Grant also advised Governors that there had actually been 3 referrals to social care not two as stated in the report. | |
| 5 | SEND Report. | |
| | This had been talked about in depth in the earlier part of Governors' Day. GQ: With the model of the school changing Grant and Miriam had been looking at an alternative curriculum for the children with more complex needs. Miriam advised that they were looking at ways to do this in partnership with other schools. GQ: Is the SEND Hub still happening? Miriam advised that we were still leading the SEND Hub. Miriam advised that we were currently trialling some work that has been done in another school but that we would need additional funding to create a new SEN Curriculum for our more complex students. GQ: Is there a financial benefit to leading the Hub? Governors were advised that we received £10,000 per year. There was also potential funding through Camden Learning and if successful we could use this funding to finance a consultant to help us polish up the new curriculum. Governors were also advised that the Early Reading Programme has given some great outcomes. | |
| 6 | Heads Report | |
| | GQ: How had the PE Leader interviews gone? James advised that we had appointed a strong candidate. He had previously worked in a SEN school in Barnet and was currently undertaking a degree at Birkbeck | |

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| | <p>University in the evenings.</p> <p>GQ: Phonics test results were 50%, this was lower than expected, were there any children who we thought would pass who did not? Based on the levels that they came up from Reception with there had been a very good level of progress. We would come back to the children that did not achieve the phonics at the next meeting.</p> <p>GQ: What about the KS2 results? James advised that these figures were teacher assessed. The SATs results would be in next week and we would be very happy if these results are confirmed by their achievement in the SATs.</p> | |
| 7 | Annual Chairs' reports to the FGB | |
| | <p>These were all circulated and on GovernorHub. The following points were noted:</p> <p>Resources – Father Nigel will meet with Gary, the new Site Services Officer.</p> <p>CFC – Class uploads should be updated more regularly.</p> <p>GQ: Do we have a policy on parental communication? No.</p> <p>There was discussion around the appointment of a Wellbeing Governor. It was agreed that this would be written into the Terms of Reference of the CFC Committee as opposed to naming a Governor in this role. It was also noted that staff appreciated the Governor's support that they have had recently.</p> <p>It was also noted that the social media of the school, ie Twitter and Instagram, was very up to date.</p> | |
| 8 | Questions on the Committee Meeting Minutes | |
| | None. | |
| 9 | Finance | |
| | As discussed earlier we still were not in the position where we could present a formal budget. | |
| 10 | Policies | |
| | The RSE Policy was currently going through a consultation process and the Online Safety Policy was not the correct document. The Clerk would investigate this and circulate the correct policy. | |
| 11 | October nominations | |
| | Governors were asked to send any nominations for Chair and Vice Chair to the clerk before the October meeting. | |
| 12 | AOB | |
| | Meeting dates for next year had been circulated and these would be entered on the GovernorHub calendar. | |
| 13 | Farewell to Rachel | |

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| | Rachel was thanked for all her hard work whilst on the Board and presented with a thank you card and flowers. | |
| 14 | Confidential items | |
| | Meeting ended at 5.45pm | |

Signed.....*Colin Reader*.....

Date.....*16-10-24*.....

Colin Reader,
 Chair of Governors
 Kentish Town C of E Primary School
 Governing Board