

THIRSK COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
Minutes of the Governing Body Meeting held on
Monday 30 April 2018

Present: D Duffey (Chairman), R Chandler (Headteacher), K Wilkinson,
J Cooper, S Mountford, J Tazzyman

In Attendance: A W Lambert (Clerk)

There were no apologies.

Non-attendance: L Austen and N Kennedy – The Chairman to contact Linton.

Min. No.	Detail	Action
18/32 Business Interests	<u>To Receive Any Declarations of Business Interests</u> There were no declarations of business interests.	
18/33 Minutes	<u>To Agree the Minutes of the Previous Meeting</u> The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 28 March 2018 had been circulated prior to the meeting. <i>Resolved: With the deletion of two paragraphs in the confidential section of the minutes that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 28 March 2018 be agreed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.</i>	
18/34 Matters Arising	<u>To Consider Any Matters Arising from the Minutes</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The terms dates had been adjusted in line with the discussion at the previous Governing Body meeting. ➤ It was noted that there would be no offer of part-time working for a member of staff. The member of staff had now handed in her resignation. Interviews were taking place for three new staff. ➤ The Governing Body visit forms will be redrafted for ease of use. 	
18/34 Items from the Chair / correspondence	<u>To Receive Items from the Chair / Correspondence</u> There were no items from the Chair.	
18/35 Policies	<u>To Agree Policies</u> All policies had been placed on the shared drive: Teaching and Learning Policy – The policy puts together everything undertaken in terms of teaching and learning in school and breaks down strategies used. Challenge / Questions / Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>JC asked how the success criteria work. These are written in real time and are listed and form part of the evaluation of the lesson.</i> ➤ <i>JC asked whether there was reference to TAs. This would be included as an additional section.</i> ➤ <i>DD asked if this would be discussed at a staff meeting. This was confirmed.</i> ➤ <i>DD asked what would happen if the policy changed. It was suggested that a disclaimer be included.</i> <i>Resolved: Subject to the inclusion of the TA paragraph, that</i>	

the Teaching and Learning Policy be agreed and reviewed in September 2018.

Writing Policy – The policy covers ‘Talk for Writing’.

Challenge / Questions / Comments:

- ***DD asked if the policy links across all subjects. This was confirmed although the policy has not outlined this and would be included.***

Resolved: That with the inclusion of linking writing across all subjects the policy be adopted.

Science Policy

Challenge / Questions / Comments:

- ***JC asked if STEM was included across the curriculum. This would be included.***

Resolved: That with the inclusion of cross-curricular links, the policy be agreed.

Geography Policy

Resolved: That with the inclusion of cross-curricular links the policy be agreed.

Collective Worship – The Policy reflects a broad Christian ethos.

Resolved: That the Collective Worship Policy be agreed.

Breakfast and After School Club Policy – The policy reflected the increased cost of attendance at the Club.

Resolved: That the Breakfast and After School Club Policy be agreed.

Policy for Collection from School – There was no change.

Challenge / Questions / Comments:

- ***JC asked if it included children walking home with siblings. It was confirmed that only KS2 could walk home with siblings.***

Resolved: That the Policy for Collection from School be agreed.

Educational Visits Policy – This is a standard North Yorkshire policy.

Challenge / Questions / Comments

- ***DD stated that Governors were not informed about forthcoming visits. It was agreed to change the policy to inform Governors of overnight and high risk visits.***

Resolved: That the Educational Visits Policy be considered further.

Flexible Working Policy – This is a standard North Yorkshire policy and was agreed.

Reorganisation, Redundancy Policy – This is a North Yorkshire Policy and was agreed.

	RPI Policy Challenge / Questions / Comments: ➤ <i>DD asked about the reporting timescales. It was felt that this should form part of the safeguarding meeting to be held on a fortnightly basis and reported to the Governing Body on a termly basis.</i>	
18/36 S5 Improvement Plan / Headteacher's Update	<u>To Consider Progress against S5 improvement plan / Headteacher's Update</u> ➤ CPOMs goes live the next day and staff training to be undertaken. ➤ Investigating phonics. ➤ Dates for a Governance Review had been agreed – 13 June 2018.	
18/37 Finance	<u>To Consider Start of the Financial Year Budget</u> This would be included on the next agenda. SFVS: It was confirmed that the SFVS had been approved and submitted to the LA. The PTA had offered help with regard to resources.	Clerk
18/38 Sports Premium	<u>To Receive an Update on Sports Premium</u> Circulated: The Sports Premium Strategy (revised) It was noted that sports premium had doubled this year. This is now called the Primary PE and Sports Premium. There are more restrictions attached to the funding. The Strategy shows five key indicators that the funding is used for including: ➤ Ensure pupils in Y6 can swim 25m ➤ Pupils are active and take part in regular sporting activities ➤ Improve the quality of the teaching of PE and Sport in School ➤ Gifted and talented sporting opportunities ➤ Kit and equipment for participation in sporting events	
18/39 Staffing	<u>To Receive an Update on Staffing</u> Staffing had been discussed earlier in the meeting.	
18/40 Governor Training	<u>To Consider Governor Training</u> The Headteacher, NK and JC had met to consider safeguarding.	
18/41 Link Governor Reports	<u>To Receive Feedback from Link Governors</u> JC gave an update on her link visit to school. The report would be circulated to Governors.	
18/42 Health & Safety / Safeguarding / Child Protection	<u>To Consider Health & Safety / Safeguarding / Child Protection</u> Safeguarding had been discussed earlier in the meeting.	
18/43 Meeting Dates	<u>To Confirm the Date of the Next Meeting</u> Monday 21 May 2018 at 6.15 pm.	ALL

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

