



Markeaton Primary School, Bromley Street, Derby DE22 1HL

MINUTES
Curriculum Meeting
Thursday 21st October 2021 at 5.00pm via Teams

<u>Item</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>ACTIONS</u>
37/21	<p><u>Present</u></p> <p>Laura Martin (LM), Ian Johnson, Headteacher (IJ), Louise Wilber, Staff (LW), Joanne Fleay, Chair (JF), Harsha Ramesh (HR). Attended by: Emma Balfour, Assistant Headteacher (EB).</p> <p>Clerk: Billie Welford</p> <p><u>Apologies for Absence:</u> None</p>	
38/21	<p><u>Review of Membership</u></p> <p>Governors had already discussed a Chair for this committee during the last meeting in May this year. However, as the Terms of Reference states that this will take place at the first committee meeting of each academic year, the position was discussed again. After some discussion, LM proposed that JF will continue to be Chair and HR to become Vice Chair. Governors voted unanimously to this move. From this juncture, JF chaired the meeting.</p>	Agreed
39/21	<p><u>Curriculum Committee Terms of Reference</u></p> <p>The Terms of Reference document had been updated during the last academic year. However, a couple of amendments were identified. BW to amend and upload to Governorhub.</p>	BW
40/21	<p><u>Declaration of Interests (for items on this agenda)</u></p> <p>Governors were asked if they had any interests to declare regarding the content of this meeting. None declared. All of the declarations on Governorhub have now been confirmed and dated.</p>	
41/21	<p><u>Review of minutes from CURR 13 May 2021</u></p> <p>The minutes had been circulated to Governors prior to this meeting.</p> <p>The minutes were accepted by all Governors as a true record of the meeting. JF to virtually sign on Governorhub.</p>	Accepted
42/21	<p><u>Matters arising</u></p> <p>18/20: 18/19 LM to plan a visit to discuss interventions. 20/19 – The Governor Work Planner is still a work in progress but will be ready the week after half term. This will then be distributed to Governors. 20/20 – JF has arranged an initial meeting to discuss Curriculum Families</p>	LM LM

	and how best to get Governors involved. No further outstanding items from these minutes.	JF/EE
43/21	<u>Brief SEF Update</u> IJ informed Governors that he, the two assistant Headteachers and middle leaders had spent a day off site last week at a conference suite. The purpose of the day was to work to complete the first section of the SEF. Changes were made to the quality of education section. The group went through the different criteria for 'Good' and decided the level that school was working at - 'at, above or at greater depth'. They also followed the advice of the LA and focussed on the 'impact and evidence'. IJ said that he has now contacted the LA and asked for feedback as they grant a full day of support. It is hoped that this task will be subtracted from the time allocated and then someone can come into school to test it. No questions were raised.	
44/21	<u>Pupil Performance Targets</u> This document was circulated prior to the meeting. IJ explained that predictions had to be presented for the end of year. It will be the first time that the children have had statutory exams since 2019. IJ continued that the figures are in the normal format with information about the focus group in blue text. IJ said that the picture will change throughout the year but these are aspirational targets. There is no doubt that the outcomes will be impacted by Covid. JF commented that it will take years to recover from the educational impact of Covid. IJ said that it will take time to establish the full effect as lots of children are still being affected by it. HR asked for clarification of the focus group children in blue, are they the ones who will not pass? IJ said that is not the case. These children are on the cusp of achieving and need a little more support to enable them to do so. IJ said that in practice phonics tests for example, results show that some of the children have a good chance of achieving higher grades. EB said that the number of children in the focus groups was not a concern as things will change rapidly. LM asked about progress in spelling. IJ said that there had been a session on Teams today and the children had thoroughly enjoyed it. IJ had introduced an element of competition which he will continue to promote throughout the year. EB confirmed that there had been good feedback from teachers too. LW said that she had been present and the children loved Sir Linkalot. They engaged very well.	
45/21	<u>Governor Work Planner/Allocation of Tasks</u> As discussed previously, the Governor Work Planner is still a work in progress but will be ready the week after half term. This will then be distributed to Governors.	
46/21	<u>Policies/Documents for Ratification – None Circulated</u> No policies had been highlighted for ratification during this meeting.	
47/21	<u>Governor Visits/Training/Monitoring Visits Schedule</u> Governors awaiting planner to establish when visits will take place.	
48/21	<u>What difference has this meeting made to our pupils?</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It has enabled Governors to feel more in touch with day to day proceedings in school, enabling them to challenge where necessary. 	

49/21	<u>Determination of confidentiality of business</u> Nothing identified as confidential.	
50/21	Dates of next meetings – Resources 20 January 2022 at 5pm (Teams) Curriculum 3 February 2022 at 5pm (Teams) FGB 25 November 2021 at 5.30pm (in School)	

The meeting ended at 5.40pm.

Signed _____ Dated _____