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Minutes of Arnside National C of E School Governing Board Meeting (GBM)

held Tuesday 5 July 2022 at 5.00pm

Key: **highlighted areas in yellow**= action point **highlighted areas in blue** = impact measure **highlighted areas in green** = question

Present: Mr David Adair, Mr Graeme Armstrong, Mrs Judith Bratt, Mrs Steph Griffiths, Mr Chris Hargreaves, Mrs Carla Hartropp, Mr Steven Henneberry, Mr Chris Myers, The Revd Andrew Norman, Ms Jacki Piper, Mr Ian Service Chair of Governors, Mr Nick Sharp Head, Revd Hannah Wallace, Mrs Steph Woodburn.

In attendance:

Mrs Sue Glendinning Governance Professional to the Governing Board

GBM 27/22 Welcome

Mr Service welcomed governors to the meeting, and introduced the two newly appointed foundation governors, Revd Wallace and Mrs Woodburn and staff governor Mrs Hartropp.

Prior to the meeting Mrs Roxanne Pearce was invited to give governors an update on the RE syllabus and how this links into the curriculum map for school.

Governors were very grateful to Mrs Pearce for her diligent, hard work in the subject and for ensuring that the pupils receive the very best educational outcome, which embodies the school vision and Christian nature of Arnside C of E School.

GBM 28/22 To receive apologies for absence

The meeting was declared quorate with 14 governors present, as there is now a full complement with no vacancies.

GBM 29/22 Declaration of conflict of interest in agenda items

Standard declarations from Mr Sharp, Mr Adair, and Mr Henneberry with regard to being related to members of staff. Nil else declared.

GBM 30/22 To receive the minutes of the previous meeting held 26 April 2022

The minutes were agreed to be a true and accurate record of the meeting, proposed by Revd Norman seconded by Mrs Griffiths and signed by the chair.

GBM 31/22 Action points progress

GBM 18/22 Pen portraits: two left to be submitted. **Action OUTSTANDING**

GBM 18/22 E- training: All governors advised to carry out at least 1 training module during the summer break. **Action Ongoing**

GBM 18/22: Safeguarding audit and finance audit: Mr Henneberry met with Ms Piper and carried out the safeguarding audit and with Mr Sharp for the financial audit. **COMPLETED**

GBM 32/22 Headteachers report

- PE funding has been confirmed for another year, which means that school can continue to employ Steve Hoare for 2022-23

Authorised by Chair: *I S Service*

Date: 20 September 2022

- There are now 5 Ukrainian pupils attending school. Formal education for them commences in September 2022 with EAL (English as an Additional Language) staff employed to work with them. 1 pupil will start at Dallam in September.
- Play therapy services will continue for 1 more year, which will be opened out to a group of pupils in September 2022.
- Covid issues are still rumbling in the school community with absences in staff and pupils. Staff continue to carry out LFT's where there are issues with staff vulnerability.
- The staffing structure for 2022-23 is in place.
- There are a massive range of activities in school for pupils provided by staff.

KS2 results were received in school on 5 July 2022 at 7.30am. The results are good and either match or exceed the targets set by school.

100% expected in reading

100% expected in Spelling and Grammar (SPAG)

94% expected in Maths (1 pupil missed the target)

88% expected in writing (2 pupils missed the target)

53% pupils got a scaled score of 110, which is an excellent reflection of progress.

83% got a combined score in maths and English.

These are excellent results and school are delighted with them. Moderation for writing was carried out externally by the LA.

Subject	%	ANS	Cumbria
Reading	74%	100%	74%
Maths	71%	94%	71%
Writing	69%	88%	69%
SPAG	72%	100%	

Year 6 Pupils have done particularly well and are to be praised for their resilience and determined effort. Results have matched school's results with no surprises, which means that school have their target setting absolutely spot on.

Children will be told of their results on a 1:1 basis on 6 July 2022.

Q: Have these children been tracked all through school?

A: Yes, they were tracked through Covid then tracked again on return to school. Gaps were identified and worked upon, with tremendous results being demonstrated.

Q: Writing in KS1 is an area for improvement. What are we doing about this?

A: KS1 have not had a full year in school yet, their entire school journey has been disrupted.

There was 100% pass in phonics for pupils in Year 1 and in the current Early Years Foundation Stage.

Q: Are staff remaining in the same structure for 2022-23 and will there be staff development opportunities?

A: This matter was brought up at staff appraisal, and staff have asked to remain with their year groups to enable the curriculum to become embedded and stability for pupils to be maintained as normality is regained, post pandemic.

Governors asked that the headteacher congratulate both staff and pupils on such excellent results.

Mr Sharp informed governors that there will be 8 new starters in Year Reception in September, with 18 leaving in Year 6. There are 10 new pupils confirmed across the board, which balances out numbers, which are stable and positive.

Mr Sharp was thanked for his report.



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GBM 33/22 Safeguarding matters

a) Safeguarding audit

Mr Henneberry met with Ms Piper and Mr Sharp to carry out the safeguarding audit. Safehaven system was used for the rating proforma.

The action for next academic year has been reviewed and determined. Staff development has been identified and for staff new to school, staff training will be provided.

Pupils know who to contact if needed for safeguarding matters.

Level 2 Safeguarding training will be held for some staff.

b) SEND update

Green paper implications have been circulated to governors.

School are working with the Educational Psychologist and access the service on a half termly basis. Pupils on the radar are in the system, so that should their needs demand escalation, they are known to the service, which cuts down a delay in action.

Karen Morris SEND Lead, has been paired up with other schools and is able to share experiences and review statutory requirements with peers, before implementing them in school.

Mrs Bratt has carried out a learning walk in school to review SEND practice in action.

Phonics assessment in groups was reviewed along with maths.

Teaching Assistants (TA's) use the same language for pupils so that the approach is the same.

Pupils are engaged in the system.

There are 17 pupils on the register with 1 having an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP).

Statistics should sit around 10% pupil population; therefore, pupils are reviewed regularly and if they need to be removed from the register, they are. Evaluations are carried out for pupil needs.

Thanks were expressed to Mr Henneberry and Mrs Bratt for their work in their respective roles.

GBM 34/22 Governance

a) Governor e-training

Governors are sending through their certificates upon completion of modules.

b) Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSiE)

The update has been sent out, which comes into practise in September 2022

c) Committee reports

Finance Committee

The minutes have been shared with governors.

A letter will be sent to all parents relating to applying for pupil premium funding.

A walk-through school will be arranged for September 2022.

Kym Allan's Management Plan is very robust and will be implemented in school for September.

Curriculum Committee

The minutes have been shared with governors.

GBM 35/22 Finance

An internal audit has been carried out, with Mr Henneberry, Mrs Evans and Jo Harmer in attendance. All checks were clear with no untoward issues identified.

Jo Harmer carried out the external financial audit, with no issues identified.

Authorised by Chair: *I S Service*

Date: 20 September 2022

GBM 36/22 Policy review

There are no policies to review at this meeting.

GBM 37/22 Chair’s report

Mr Service has carried out training for Chairs of Governors and reported that he had found this informative. He discussed the purpose of succession planning and stated that we as a board will elect our chair, vice chair and committee chairs at the GB meeting to be held in September.

The Chair has written a letter on behalf of governors for parents summing up the school year. Suggestions were made about how to improve communications between governors and parents, which will be followed up on, and will take on the form of either a section in the school newsletter or a review of the academic year, sent out in July of each year.

GBM 38/22 Items deemed confidential

No items were deemed confidential at this meeting.

GBM 39/22 Date of next meeting Tuesday 20 September 2022 at 5.00pm

Governing Board dates for 2022-23			
Meeting	Day	Date	Time
AGM	Tuesday	6 December 2022	5.30pm
GBM	Tuesday	22 November 2022 to ratify accounts	5.00pm
GBM	Wednesday	1 February 2023	5.00pm
GBM	Wednesday	26 April 2023	5.00pm
GBM	Tuesday	20 June 2023	5.00pm
Committee dates will be set in September.			

Governors were thanked for their attendance and continued support. The meeting was declared closed at 6.55pm.