

# **Thornton in Craven Community Primary School**

## **Governors Meeting, Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

### **Minutes**

**Present:** Neil Roe (Chair), Suzie Brown (Headteacher), Rebecca Garrity (Local Authority Governor), Debbie Joyce (Co-Opted), Nicola Moorhouse (Staff Governor), Sue Walker (Co-Opted,) Rebecca Lofthouse (Parent Governor), Donna Ryan (Parent Governor)

**Apologies:** Rachel Davies (Parent Governor)

**Clerk:** N/A

#### **1. Welcome**

The Chair welcomed the Governors to the meeting.

#### **2. Declaration of Interests, financial or otherwise**

No interests were declared.

#### **3. Confidential Items**

None

#### **4. Urgent Business**

None

#### **5. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were approved and signed by the Chair.

#### **6. Headteachers Report**

The Headteacher's report had been made available prior to the meeting for all Governors to read and comment. There were no comments.

#### **7. School Performance Data**

SAT's Results:

SB talked through the results that had been published that morning. There were clarifications and explanations of the data and what this means for next year.

**Question:** Why was it only 75% for GLD in Reception?

**Answer:**

- Discussion of the children who did not reach GLD, the progress they have made so far and what is already in place to support these children and how this support will continue with them into Year 1.

**Question:** How can we ensure the phonics score will remain as high next year?

**Answer:** Solid teaching of LWLS and closely monitored and followed closely. Tis will be supported by phonics for Nursery next year and then fluency reading to bridge the gap into accelerated reader for the Year 2 children. LWLS is also supporting spelling for Year 2.

**Question:** How does the KS1 data compare to last year?

**Answer:** Relatively similar to last year. There are fewer Greater Depth judgements that last year. In reading and writing but 1 child in Maths (1 more than last year).

**Question:** KS2 data – It looks good – How does this relate to the published national figures?

**Answer:** We are higher in all areas than the National average, We do not know the average for Greater depth yet. That will be published in September. SB went onto explain we will be looking at the papers for certain children to see and make sure they have been marked accurately as there are a few children who are one mark off the next scaled score which would either make them at expected level or into the greater depth category.

It was mentioned that Sb knows the children well and this allows her to drill down into the data and keep monitoring changes and enable interventions to keep up.

## **8. Safeguarding Update**

New stranger danger – Clever Never Goes, NSPCC pants and consent has all been taught in the past term to all children in school. Rachel Davies governor came into do pupil voice on this. All children were able to talk about these areas of learning although the older children – Class 4 said it was a bit immature. SB to find something more suitable for these children.

NYCC PCSO's have visited school to speak with the Year 6 children about County Lines and stabbing – this was delivered through a cartoon/video and discussion afterwards.

## **9. SEND Update**

The governors were told about the work and staff meeting Sara Toomey has held and that we are using ADYs services again next year.

## **10. Health and Safety Update**

All up to date – recommendations from the Health and Safety service audit in place and grip strips to be put on the steps leading to the front of school will be put in soon.

### **11. Committee Meetings**

No meetings have been held.

### **12. Governor Monitoring**

Rachel Davies notes to be collected – apologies given for this meeting.

Rebecca Garrity – EYFS- monitoring visit had to be cancelled by school due to other activities. To be rearranged for September.

### **13. Governing Body Self evaluation**

- Overall it is felt the governing body is stronger than it was this time last year. More monitoring has taken place throughout the year,
- Governors have watched Ofsted webinars sent out to them and had further ideas to allow them to understand the school more. Request to see Single Central Record and what this is and how it is monitored.
- Governors have identified gaps in their own knowledge and have managed to work with school to fill these. As a governing body they are:
  - Effective
  - Focusing on improvement
  - Developed throughout the year and are more focused enabling them to challenge areas of school more.

SB will create a plan for governing monitoring for next year and book dates in early in the year.

Resilience in children and families was discussed. A whole school approach to resilience and working with families will be a whole school drive next year. Staff will consider different approaches to this throughout the year. SB will also put this on the School Development Plan,

### **14. Urgent Business from Agenda Item 4**

None.

### **15. Correspondence**

None.

### **16. Any Other Business**

Road Safety has been bought up by a parent down on the main road when a car did not stop at the lights to allow them to cross over the road.

SB will contact the Parish Council to see if we can put up some signs and/or approach villagers to put signs on their bins etc on the main road.

## 17. Date of the Next Meeting

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 6.30pm

**Meeting finished at 8.30pm.**

## Outstanding Actions List

Date of Meeting	Agenda Item	Outstanding Action	Completion Date
19/01/23	8	Nicola Moorhouse should investigate a system by which parents could buy and donate books for the school.	Create an Amazon wish list –  TO NOW BE PROMOTED
11/7/23	12	Suzie Brown to put together a governor monitoring agenda together for 23/24 academic year. Who/when/what	
11/7/23	12	Resilience to be added to the School Development Plan	
11/7/23	16	Speak with Parish Council and residents to promote careful driving and consideration of children at key times throughout the school day	