

Name of Policy:

Monitoring, Evaluation & Review Policy

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Monitoring, Evaluation & Review Policy

This policy underpins all the policies of the school and is a means whereby we ensure the quality of all that takes place at the school.

Aims

The overriding aim is to ensure continued school improvement through a cycle of plan, do & review (Intent/Implement/Impact). In particular:

- Enable the school community generally to support children at Wallace Fields Juniors in the preparation for adult life
- To review progress of school development priorities
- Analysing of results to support improvement in standards
- To provide information to help guide the formulation of a new school development plan
- Ensuring that the school policy and practice is implemented consistently
- Share good practice between members of staff
- Ensure the school is well led and managed at all levels.

Objectives

More specifically:

- To monitor, evaluate and review pupil progress and attainment as described in our assessment policy
- To set meaningful school and individual pupil targets on the basis of teacher assessment supported by contextual and statistical data
- To involve children and inform parents of the target setting process in order to give clear direction for future efforts and emphasis
- To compare results with similar schools using the Pupil Asset & the IDSR
- To evaluate school effectiveness regularly at staff meetings, each half term at an individual teacher level, on an annual basis using the results from teacher evaluations and governor evaluations, every two years from the children and parents
- To use the performance management and staff development review cycles as a productive method for supporting and developing individual members of staff (PMR / Teacher profiles)
- To support subject leaders in the monitoring of their areas through book looks, observations and support team meetings
- To ensure that every aspect of the school is managed in such a way as to bring the maximum benefits to the children's learning and achievement
- To inform and involve the Governing Body enabling them to fulfil their role

School Development Plan (SDP)

The major vehicle for school improvement is the School Development Plan. This covers in broad terms a period running from September to July. The monitoring, evaluation and review procedure informs this plan.

The SDP is monitored at the first and last governors' meeting. It is evaluated and reviewed each term. All subject leaders are responsible for drawing up action plans for their subjects and teams, etc. The Headteacher is responsible for the SDP. Team Leaders and Senior Leadership Team (SLT) are responsible for drawing together action plans and presenting the completed document by the beginning of each academic year.

Sources of Evidence

In order to monitor, evaluate and review the quality of the school, we will tap into the wealth of evidence available to us. The list indicates most, but possibly not all of the sources to hand.

<u>Written Evidence</u> <u>Recorded Evidence</u>

Test results Drawings

Baseline assessments Photographs & presentations (PowerPoint)

Minutes of meetings Computer generated pupils' work
Policies Video Recordings / Tablet videos

Pupils' work Documents – paper & electronic

Teachers' planning <u>External Evidence</u>

Teachers' assessment records OFSTED inspection report

Children's targets LA monitoring – Overview Partner

Governors Annual Report School Performance Reports (IDSR)

Outcomes of EHCPs & support plans Financial Audit Report

Safeguarding Audit Report

Observations Questionnaires & Surveys

Classroom observations Governors
Individual shadowing of child Parents
Observing meetings Pupils
Observing playground Staff

Governor observations

Learning Walks Visitors

<u>Interviews with</u> <u>Reviews with</u>

Individual children Pupils
Groups of children Teachers

Individual members of staff Support staff

Groups of staff Governors (Headteacher only)

Key Responsibilities

Headteacher

Planning	Check online of weekly planners and timetable every Thursday or Friday of previous week on the OneDrive. Half-termly snapshot each term by subject leads.	
Focus observations & Learning Walks	Visiting classrooms. Individual feedback & any school issues to all staff. Regular Learning walks with a given focus.	
Performance management observations and review meetings	To include the Headteacher, Deputy, SENDCO & School Business Manager (SBM)	
Curriculum Leader meetings	Discussion with subject leaders as to progress of the subject – review of documentation as well as focusing on particular areas of development in line with the SDP and their SSEF.	
Pupil interview & book look	Each month to see a range of work from one child in each class for the purpose of encouraging, monitoring & evaluating. Feedback to individual teachers as appropriate.	
Data Analysis	Teachers and pupils generate individual targets in maths and writing for pupils in each term. Maths targets are allocated following tests and writing targets are generated from extended writing tasks and use of success checkers.	
Evaluations	Termly evaluations to the governors in the form of school on a page. Annual evaluations from subject leads. Annual evaluation from Governors.	

Deputy Headteacher

Planning	n/a	
Focus observations	Visiting classrooms to observe	
Performance Observations & review meetings	Observation of team, review meetings and target setting meetings	
Governing body	Report to the Governing body	
Book Looks	(See subject leader section)	
Data Analysis	Preparation for target setting through collection of assessment information for sharing with Headteacher & SLT	
Evaluations	Review performance management individual targets (PMR / Teacher profiles) Shared area PMR file (secure)	
Marking	Termly check of marking and assessment across the school including use of the agreed assessment system (Pupil Asset)	
Observations of ECTs	Termly	
Target setting discussions for ECTs	Termly	
Feedback to Headteacher on ECT progress observations.	Termly	

Subject Leaders

Subject Leader observations	Annual observation of own subject across all year groups using	
	observations and learning walk record- see appendices 1 & 2	
Staff Meetings	Discussion, planning, auditing & feedback in relation to current practice across year groups and subject updates	
Assessment	Records of assessment on Pupil Asset where relevant to enable them to keep an overview of standards and monitor progress.	
Evaluations of Progression maps &	Reviewed annually.	
Curriculum maps	Progression map is updated and shared on website.	
Book looks & planning	Bespoke subject leader sheets completed at SLT.	
	Samples of random work from each class to check content and progress.	
	Report sheets kept in own subject file in PM file online (shared area secure).	
Core subject leaders analysis of National Test Data (SATs)	Annual analysis of National Test results (SATs) and summative test results when appropriate.	

Line Managers (SLT) PMR

Meetings	Weekly Senior Leadership Team (SLT) meetings.	
Setting targets	Set personal subject or curricular targets (PMR)	
Classroom observations	Carry out subject specific observations and general observation of their managed staff	
Reviews	Subject leader review	

Class Teachers

Teaching Assistants	Regular review to discuss and negotiate role within and outside of the classroom.	
& HLTAs	the classiooni.	
Supply of information	To provide books and assessment information as requested.	
Assessment	To maintain teacher assessments in line with school policy.	
Targets	Pupils to generate individual targets for writing and maths. This informs teachers for feedback to parents in parent / teacher meetings and reports.	

SENDCO

All children on SEN register	Ensure class teachers write EHCP and SEN support plans	
Statemented children	Organise EHCP and SEND support	
Whole school	Update and maintain provision map and support	
Governors	Liaise with the Governor for SEND and produce a termly SEND report to governors.	

Governors

Governing body review of subjects	Attendance by subject leaders as invited or required for discussion of planning, progress and standards
Observation schedule by English & Maths governors	Observing to an agreed focus and following the code of conduct
Observation by governors	'Governor into School' weeks and random visits welcomed and encouraged.
Monitoring by the Governing body	Receive a progress report following year assessments including the National Test Results (SATs)

Parents

Monitoring of own child's work	Termly consultation evenings.	
	Receive annual report in the summer term	

Children / School Council

Monitoring effectiveness of school	Pupil voice questionnaires	
Ensuring pupil voice	Regular (monthly) School Council meetings.	
	School councillors review and discuss issues raised at school council.	
	HT reports to governors' key changes implemented by School Council.	
	School Council minutes sent to FGB and CTs. Copy to all councillors including next meeting date.	

Timetable for	the Year	
September	 Review teaching and learning policy with staff Set school targets/idea for the year SDP presented and agreed School Council meet Class welcome meetings SDP key priorities revised and set. 	Throughout the Year Headteacher checks teachers, weekly planning is complete and available –alongside pupils' books and individual teacher.
October	 Set targets with Governors Assessments – Year 3 baseline Teachers performance management reviews Support staff annual reviews Class tea parties School Council meet 	Each fortnight Headteacher looks at and discusses the work with one child from each class, feeding back to teachers as appropriate.
November	 ASP / Data Dashboard/Pupil Asset Address SDP priorities Summative assessment test – all year groups Parent consultations Prospective parent visits and tours Pupils generate targets for maths Deputy to monitor assessment School Council meet Headteacher PM review by governors 	Visiting governor to focus on an aspect of the teaching and learning policy or on a curriculum area. Headteacher monitors delivery of teaching and learning (LW) in each class at least once per term. Subject Leaders scrutinise
December	 Address SDP priorities Encourage subject leader pupil interviews and audit School Council meet 	work from random children in each class in SLT. Parents have the opportunity to
January	 Review of SDP Prepare priorities for the budget School Council meet 	look at their children's English and Maths each term. Headteacher and school business manager monitor the school budget each month.
February	 Pupils' targets following assessments in maths School Council meet Summative tests- all year groups 	SST meet once a week to discuss high level issues – finance, premises, staffing.
March	 Parents Consultations (Parent Teacher meetings) Governors agree initial budget Interim performance management reviews School Council meet 	Senior Leadership Team (SLT) meet once per week. SENDCo and Deputy meet with Teaching Assistants and HTLAs each week.
April	 Review SDP priorities Budget agreed School Council meet 	Weekly staff meeting scheduled. Full Governors meeting each
May	 KS 2 National Tests Summative tests in Years 3, 4 & 5 School Council meet 	term. Finance, Premises, Staffing, Curriculum & Strategy &
June	 Budget fixed School Council meet 	Planning meet each term.

July	 Annual children's reports to parents Celebration evening Identify SDP priorities Interim review of National Tests (SATs) data and teacher assessments and identification of strengths and weaknesses. Subject SEF created for next academic year School Council meet 	
August	■ Redraft SDP	

Summary of Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

Monitoring

- Of planning by Head, Deputy, SLT & Subject Leaders
- Classroom observations by Head, Deputy, Subject Leaders & Governors
- Of children's work by teacher's Head & Subject Leaders and Peers
- Of children's work by parents (parents' evenings)
- Of assessment by Head, Deputy & Governors
- Of data by Head, Deputy, Subject Leaders, Governors
- Of Head's performance by the Governors and SIP (Inc. Chair of Governors)
- Of teaching performance by Head & Subject Leaders
- Of support staff performance by Head, SENDCO & School Business Manager (SBM)
- Of the School Development Plan by the Head, Governors & Deputy
- Of Health & Safety by the Head, Governors & Caretaker
- Of Finance by the Head, School Business Manager (SBM) & Governors
- Of Premises by Head, Caretaker & Governors

Evaluation

- Of children's work by Teachers, Subject Leaders & parents
- Of pupil progress by Head & Deputy, Maths & English Leaders

Review

- Of teaching & learning by Headteacher, Deputy Head & Subject Leaders
- Of the curriculum by the Head, Deputy Head, Subject Leader & and SLT
- Of the Head's performance by the Governors
- Of support staff by the Head, SENDCO & School Business Manager (SBM)
- Of teaching performance by the Head & Subject Leaders
- Of the long term premises needs by the Head, Caretaker & Governors
- Of the long term financial needs by the Head, School Business Manager (SBM) & Governors

In deciding upon regular formal monitoring mechanisms, it is important to select strategies that are effective. For example, taking in samples of children's work across a year group or school for scrutiny by curriculum leaders is often a superficial exercise. Without the teacher present and the corresponding weekly plan, sampled work can have too many missing factors for any worthwhile or rigorous judgement to be made. Combining monitoring mechanisms makes monitoring more satisfying and effective because the links can be made between planning, subsequent learning, work products and targets.

Appendix 1

Observation Guidance

At Wallace Fields Juniors, our observations are intended to assist the process of school improvement and professional development. They are conducted in a positive manner which seeks to acknowledge good practice, whilst identifying areas for support and development.

There are six types of observations from which form part of our annual cycle:

- 1. Observations are part of performance management involving team leaders observing members of their team. The focus for these relates to the objectives highlighted during the objective setting meetings. Copies of this are kept by the team leaders, reviewee and Headteacher.
- 2. Observations by subject leaders. These are used to increase awareness of the progress and delivery of their subject across the school and specifically the standards which children are achieving. They have an agreed focus, which is linked, to either whole school or year targets and / or school development plan priorities. Copies of observations are kept by the class teacher, subject leader and Headteacher. {The Headteacher and SLT will conduct a series of joint observations with subject co-ordinators to establish sharpness of approach and uniformity of approach}.
- 3. Classroom visits by the Headteacher and Deputy. These provide snapshots of specific priorities as identified. They are designed to help the Headteacher keep informed about standards of teaching and learning, the implementation of policy and what's going on in school generally. A report will be provided for staff.
- 4. Observations of ECTs. This forms part of their induction programme and is carried out by the Deputy Head. Copies of recording sheets are kept by the ECT, Deputy Head and Headteacher.
- 5. Observations by Governing Body. Following the agreed code of practice, Governors visit a selection of year groups to update them on current practice in a subject or others school policies according to an agreed focus. The information gained is fed back to the Governing Body. A record of all governor visits and observations is kept on the One Drive.
- 6. Peer to Peer these are informal observations of year group colleagues to help gather ideas, see alternative practice and have an informal and positive feedback meeting sharing good practice / subject strengths.

There are differences between different types of observation and recording, storing and sharing information. However, there are some common principles:

- We embrace the opportunity to share good practice and support one another in our development
- Formal observation will not exceed 1 hour per term
- Feedback should be given as promptly as possible. Opportunity should be given for a professional discussion to take place following feedback that includes the views of the observed person.
- Any written information should be kept confidential within agreed parameters
- Suggestions for development should be accompanied by the identification of resources and support, where necessary

Learning Walk (LW) WFJS 2023-24



A Learning walk provides a snap shot in time of key areas that should be in place in all lessons. They are not a full or formal observation and provide an overview of behaviour for learning/consistency across year groups/use of support staff/Teaching and Learning/ Health and Safety

Class:	Date:		Name of Teach	ner			
Overall RAG best fit judgeme	nt		Name of LW st	aff n	nemb	er	
Areas to observe				R	Α	G	Comment
Behaviour Management					<u> </u>		
All pupils are on task, or redirected	by the CT						
Excellent routines are established a	nd tasks a	re resourced wel	I				
Children are respectful, listen and r	espond to	each other (inclu	ıding paired and				
group dialogue)							
Teacher uses positive behaviour ma the atmosphere is positive and con-			se and rewards-				
Effective Management & Allocation							
SEND children are supported and re	sourced a	appropriately.					
Clear evidence of support staff feed	back in bo	ooks (purple pen	with useful				
comments, VF,HPs, praise & reward	ls)						
Support staff know what the learning	ng is and k	now the next ste	ps in the				
children's learning. (Why this? Wha	t now? W	hat next?)					
TAs/SNAs are working purposefully							
help to prepare resources for lesson	าร Inc. sup	port & challenge					
Teaching and Learning							
Learning Questions (LQ) and steps t MIMIO/Child's book/ WBs and refe		(SCS) are evidend	ced on				
Children are able to explain what th		rning and how it	fits into the				
bigger picture (Why this? What nov							
Lesson vocabulary is made clear and	d referred	to regularly in th	e lesson /on				
MIMIO/on WBs							
Teacher models clearly using intera	ctive MIV	IIO/visualiser-this	modelling has				
led to high quality learning evidence	ed on WB,	/in book/practica	l output.				
Misconceptions are addressed, or a	re planne	d to be addressed	t				
Teacher engaging the children throaround the class (incl. formative ass	-	questioning, and	l active feedback				
Books have evidence of recent feed		king/stamps/HPs					
Active teaching is evidenced- individ							
1:1 marking, interactivity & individu		_	,				
Display/Class Environment							
Displays reflect current learning and	are of a	high quality & tid	y.				
Book corners are attractive and tidy	, advertis	e teacher & pupil					
recommendations. A range of access celebrate diversity. (EDI)	sible boo	ks are on offer fo	r all abilities and				
Current children's reads are display	ed for ALL	children.					
Displays include FAIL/BELIEVE/Belie			Veek				
Wellbeing	10 000.0,				<u> </u>	l	
Mood box is available and children	are using	this daily to repor	rt their wellbeing.				
Notices advertise ways to seek help							
NSPCC, Childline & Safeguarding po							
Zones of Regulation in use.							
Health & Safety					l	l	
Any health and safety concerns? Sli	ps. trips o	r falls possible?					
Actions/feedback to include:					l	l	
rections, recussion to motuae							
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Shared/staff/obs and mon/ learning walks 2022 - 2023

	Lesson Observations	Monitoring Teacher Planning	Visiting Classrooms	Book Scrutiny
Purpose	First hand observation of learning & teaching (inc. learning walks)	To ensure that teachers are engaged in effective & consistent lesson preparation	To provide feedback on the classroom environment and the extent to which it facilitates learning	To monitor the quality of pupil written work
Benefits	To identify good or better practice To provide feedback on areas of agreed focus Quality assurance against Ofsted criteria	Can take place outside of lesson time. Planning is highly influential on lesson quality. A focus for the implementation of many whole school themes, clear objectives, differentiation, cross curricular links, etc. To highlight year team strengths/ deficiencies in this area	Can take place outside of lesson time. Possible to set up a more relaxed dialogue" seen as less threatening" Gives high profile to an important influence on pupil learning.	Can take place outside of lesson time. To assess the standard of work in comparison to national expectations With a carefully chosen sample, the work of a wide range of students can be sampled (gifted/talented, those with SEN, boys, LAC) To appreciate the extent to which planning and lesson delivery is impacting learning Could be linked to a supplementary exercise that involves discussions
Barriers to be Overcome	Time intensive in lesson time, sometimes requiring cover. If observer is a subject leader (and not SLT) lines of accountability can be weak. Sensitivity needs to be shown during feedback. Training required in observational techniques. Reticence/ nervousness for the person being observed.	School expectations need to be clear: are teachers to produce individual plans to supplement those for the medium term? The teacher might not be directly responsible for the production of these medium term plans. Subject leaders need to establish a good relationship with the teacher in order to earn the right to establish this kind of dialogue	Whereas the observer might feel that this strategy is informal, the teacher in question might not view it this way! The status of the session (with notes to be taken, formal feedback given) needs to be made clear. A poor environment might be down to deficiencies in the school fabric that is outside of the control of the teacher.	with pupils. This technique does not facilitate an appreciation of lesson outcomes for subjects To work well, the background/ prior attainment of the pupils needs to accompany the book work.

	Lesson Observations	Monitoring Teacher Planning	Visiting Classrooms	Book Scrutiny
Support Needed	A whole school commitment to the role of the leaders in the observation process. A whole school commissioning for subject leaders to focus on a particular aspect of teaching / learning, i.e. maths, science investigations	A whole school commitment to this process, in particular a shared understanding about the responsibilities of the year group and the teacher with respect to the production of planning documents	A structure within which this informal visitation takes place. Whole school guidance / expectations regarding classroom display / layout Funding and / or classroom support to bring about changes Good role models	Once again SLT will need to set up a whole school climate that allows the subject leader to undergo intimate monitoring of this nature A whole school procedure that results in a streamlined focused exercise.
Focus Questions	Do the lessons: Show clear evidence of planning? Show an appropriate rapport between teacher and pupil? Show that the teacher has a sound command of the subject matter? Demonstrate appropriate pace and challenge? Result in the achievement of clear learning objectives?	Do the plans: Identify clear learning objectives? Show differentiation and suggest an appropriate range of resources? Identify cross curricular links? Show imaginative, inspiring activities that are realistic and relevant?	Do displays reflect the topic that is currently being taught? Is the environment stimulating? Is the classroom arranged to facilitate learning at appropriate levels? Can children access the resources easily and re these adequately/appropriate to the activity?	Is the marking purposeful and does it provide targets to help the child improve? Is the work of quality and meeting appropriately challenging but realistic targets for the child? Is planned work evidenced in student outcomes? Is there evidence of variety in work and teaching methods?

Subject Leader Action Plan 2021-2022

Team Action plan 2023 2024 –Team name:	Month x	XXXX	2023/202	24
Team members + subjects:				
Team priority areas for all subject (outline main priorities- include cross subject projec	ts and ideas, as w	ell as indi	vidual subjects į	olans)
Priority area:				
1 -				
2-				
3-				
In order to achieve this we will	Persons	Target	Date	Finances

In order to achieve this we will	Persons responsible	Target date	Date achieved	Finances
Priority area 1:				_
Impact report: (What has the impact been?) Please relate to each bullet point above).			
Priority area 2 :				
Impact report: (What has the impact been?) Please relate to each bullet point above).).			
Priority area 3:				
Impact report: (What has the impact been?) Please relate to each bullet point above).			