

**A MEETING OF THE CURRICULUM, POLICIES AND SCHOOL
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE WAS HELD AT THE SCHOOL ON
28th SEPTEMBER 2016**

1. Present

Andrew Mortimer (Chairman), John Andrews, Pam Evans, Gill Fox.

2. Apologies

Gillian Pratt; Tash Patrick, Margaret Carey (Clerk).

3. Declaration of Interest relating to matters on the Agenda

None.

4. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 27th April 2016 were approved and signed as a true record.

5. Matters arising

None not covered in rest of meeting.

6. Governor Handbook

This was approved by the meeting, and in particular (1) there were no comments on the scheme of delegation, and (2) the new Governor Code of Conduct was approved.

7. Assessment and SPTO

Pam E is due to attend a SPTO workshop in Tiverton on 30th September.

Sue Woods from the SPTO team had visited and met with the school's middle leaders to help expand their confidence and ability to use SPTO.

Assessment Policy – this will be reviewed at the next CSSI meeting.

SATS – Pam E reviewed the school's results in the May 2016 SATS.

KS1 – results were just below national averages. The results had been moderated this year. The cohort had its challenges.

KS2 – results were further behind national averages than those of KS1. The cohort had been challenging with 48% SEND or receiving extra support. The results pointed to under performance in times tables and spelling which the school would address this year.

EYFS – very good results – a good cohort!

For this coming year, it is hard to predict SATS performance but (1) the KS1 cohort has more challenges than the last one, (2) the KS2 cohort has fewer challenges than the last one, and (3) the KS2 cohort is only 20, so individual performance could have a significant effect on overall results.

8. SIAP

Pam E reported on the proposed SIAP for the coming year, explaining the key targets in pupil achievement, quality of teaching, behaviour and safety, and leadership and management.

Issues throw up by the May 2016 SATS results were addressed in this (e.g. in spelling and maths).

There is a lot to do, and as ever the Governors have a role to play in supporting and challenging the school in governor meetings and school visits

9. Curriculum

Pam E reported that the finalised Curriculum policy is in place, with a copy available on the school website.

10. Parental engagement/relational schools

Pam E reported an inspirational TD day on this with Dr Rob Lowe. She was confident that the training and discussion on this would lead to pupils being treated better, with better relations with their teachers.

Progress in this would be reviewed at the April CSSI meeting.

11. Prevent

Gill F confirmed the Governor training to be given once the new parent Governors were in place. Some staff training needs to be done too.

A leaflet is being drafted for information and training purposes as well, and Gill F and Pam E are investigating a new Prevent tool.

12. Governor visits

Pam E produced a timetable for the coming term.

13. Policy reviews

SEND - now reviewed and finalised by Helen P and Gill F. John A will review the final version. Helen P will be invited to the next CSSI meeting for a special session on SEN reviewing the extent of the SEN provision required, the resources available, and how the school uses its resources and with what effect. John A and Pam E will liaise with Helen P to plan for this.

Safeguarding, Subject Leader, Curriculum, Home Learning – reviews complete.

Child Protection – a new LA model has just been produced and Gill F and Pam E will revise the Child Protection policy in the light of it and report at the next CSSI meeting.

14. Date of next meeting

11th January 2017.

Review policies – Assessment, Teaching and Learning, Equality Scheme, Child Protection, Educational Visits, Health in School

Review SIAP objectives

Discuss Curriculum focus for April CSSI meeting with link teachers attending as agreed.

Chairman

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm