

Minutes for East Worlington Primary School Academy Advisory Group

Wednesday 1st December 2021, 4.30pm, Remote Meeting

Attendees	Position	
Keith Greenwood	Director (Chair of AAG)	KG
Gemma Elsworthy	Parent AAG Advisory Member	GE
Nina Phillips	Parent AAG Advisory Member	NP
Suzie Pinn	Head of School (EWS)	SP
Lesley Williams	Clerk	LW

Agenda	Led by
1. Welcome and Apologies	KG
2. Business Interests	KG
3. Terms of Reference	KG
4. Safeguarding Update	SP
5. H&S Update	SP
6. Attendance	SP
7. Progress with School Improvement	SP
8. AOB	KG
9. Date of the next meeting	KG

	ITEM
1	Welcome and Apologies No apologies received.
2	Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary interests No interests declared.
3	EWS Parent Questionnaire SP shared the results of the EWS Primary Parents View questionnaire, giving an overview of how families are feeling about the school. Next steps- to dig into the detail of all answers marked 'don't know' and 'no', to try and address these points. Collectively, the survey was very positive.
3	Terms of Reference All agreed to adopt the AAG Terms of Reference, as circulated with the agenda.
4	Safeguarding Update SP updated that after the lockdowns, there has been an uprise in levels of children that are classed as 'vulnerable'. SP explained the processes that were in place to support these families.
5	Health & Safety Update SP updated on the situation regarding the front wall, and the hall floor. Further funds are sought regarding the replacement hall floor, which the PTFA are already working towards. Quotes will be sought for the work, and a business case presented to charitable trusts. It is planned for the hall to be opened up to the wider community, older and younger residents alike, helping to harbour strong community links.
6	Attendance – overall & pupil groups SP reported that EWS usually around 3-4% above national average for attendance, however, have been hit by a recent wave of chicken pox. SP explained the attendance process, and that still encouraging regular LFTs over Covid. Christmas performances are to be restricted, with measures such as LFTs, face masks, and social distancing in place.

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7	<p>Progress with School Improvement Plan – Priorities, Progress, Assessment</p> <p>SP reported that the Ofsted framework had been updated with more emphasis on the curriculum, ensuring there is access to a wider curriculum, checking the curriculum is impactful, and that children retain knowledge. Ofsted have announced that there will be a 6-term delay for 'Good' and 'Outstanding' schools from the usual normal rotation of 3-4 years. East Worlington's last inspection was in 2017, rated as 'Good'.</p> <p>SP ran through the outcomes from previous Ofsted inspection, and the current school improvement plan priorities. The group noted that the school improvement plan contained a real focus around pupil premium children, and that aspirational and achievable targets are set for all.</p> <p>Attainment and Performance: - each child at EWS is worth an exceptionally high percentage in the data, due to the small pupil numbers. One child in a cohort could be worth between 10%-33%, thus impacting the data. SP reported that the progress measures for 2017, 2018 and 2019 look poor due to over inflated KS1 assessments. This has since been addressed, with accurate and rigorous assessment in place, alongside lots of moderation.</p> <p>Pupils continue to undertake NTS assessments, where individual cohorts can be tracked. Many children dropped in attainment after the lockdowns and gaps remain. The school is working hard to address and fill all the gaps. The greatest area for development is writing.</p>
8	<p>AOB</p> <p>The group discussed how to signpost parents to the AAG members, if they had concerns or comments to pass on.</p> <p>SP suggested a social meeting to offer an opportunity for parents to share, perhaps to be held in the Parish hall next year. This will be for discussion at the next AAG meeting.</p>
9	<p>Date of next meeting: Wednesday 9th February 2022, 4.30pm</p>

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