



Present: Mr I Grant (Chair), Mrs D Smith (Head), Mr M Ali, Mrs J Allan, Rev. J Butler, Mrs J Butler, Dr J Dow, Ms E Fewkes, Ms S Nazir, Ms M Phillips, Mr T Howorth
In Attendance: Mrs A Mason (Deputy Head), Mr W Suleman (Business Manager), Mrs S Edwards (Clerk)

Meeting commenced at 7.19pm with a prayer

Action

38/15 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for late arrival were received from Ms Nazir; Mrs Ramzan was absent.

39/15 Declarations of Interest

None.

40/15 Notification of any other business

Two items of AOB were notified.

41/15 Minutes of 20/4/16

The minutes of 20/4/16 were **agreed** as a correct record.

42/15 Matters arising from the minutes of 20/4/16

No matters arising.

7.23pm Ms Nazir entered the meeting

Action

43/15 Headteacher's report

Matters arising from the Headteacher's report and from governor's questions:
Admissions 55 acceptances for Reception have been received and is hoped all places will be filled. Governors are welcome to attend the new to Reception meeting, 25/5/16
Staffing Closing date for leadership posts is 13 May.

Diary date SIAMS health check, 12/5/16; Ashwell Gardens development project day, 15/6/16; Big Sing 18/5/16.

The school has been selected to take part in Bradford Centenary art project, pupils will work with a calligrapher on artwork to be displayed in Bradford during July.

Pupil data The following points were highlighted:

- Foundation stage - very good in number, reading and writing, good in SSM
- Year 1, progress very good.
- Year 2, progress outstanding/ very good, most pupils on either secure or exceeding.
- Year 3, 40% are secure in maths, 3% exceeding, various measures are in place to ensure progress is good by the end of the year.
- Year 4, progress good/very good.
- Year 5, Significant progress in one class and evidence of the good impact of Talk for Writing, Mrs Starkey will be able to support Year 5 now SATS have finished
- Year 6, SATs have been completed, the reading test was particularly difficult but all pupils tried really hard and did not give up. **Governors thanked pupils and staff for their efforts.**
- **Did any parents withdraw their child from SATs?** No.
- **Are there any targets?** Yes, there are class targets for secure/exceeding and all pupils have individual targets. It is hoped to have at least one third of pupils will be on exceeding by the end of the year. **Governors asked for targets and graphs to be included in future reports.**

Governors also requested a section in the Head's report for any logged compliments or complaints and for regular RE curriculum reports. It was **agreed** that Mrs Mason will report on RE and the SIAMS health check at the next meeting.

Head

AM/Next meeting

44/15 Correspondence

None.

45/15 Governor Training/Governor visits into school

Governor Training Ms Nazir attended 'Allegations against staff' and Safeguarding supervision training provided by Calderdale LA. Mr Grant attended the local governor briefing.

External visits Mr Howorth attended the Diocese academies meeting, met with Canon Denise Poole and attended a Quaker conference on education.

Visits into school Mr Grant accompanied the Year 3 residential to Nell Bank, Mr Howorth continues to visit KS1. Dr Dow met with the Head to discuss RE and worship updates and attended the maths puzzle day.

Link governors An updated list was supplied, Ms Phillips was added to Year 4.

46/15 Any other business

Parking Mr Ali raised the issue of inconsiderate and dangerous parking outside school. It was confirmed that Community Wardens do issue fines for parking on the zig-zags but unfortunately the lines need re-painting (Highways has been informed).

It was suggested that governors could put pressure on Highways and that the number of fines levied could be highlighted in the newsletter. Other ideas included use of banners, folding cones etc., and 'parking tickets' containing a letter from the children.

Information The Diocese have requested a large amount of information from the school in preparation for any decisions regarding academies, governors were asked to check their personal details and advise Mrs Smith of any errors.

47/15 Calendar of meetings

The draft calendar of meetings was amended and **approved** and it was **agreed** that all governing body meetings will commence at 6.30pm with effect from the next meeting.

Agreed that Mr Ali will join Finance Committee next academic year.

48/15 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Governing Body will be held at **6.30pm** on **Wednesday 20 July** (Rev. Butler gave apologies in advance).

Action

Next meeting

Meeting closed at 8.56pm with The Grace

Signed by Chair as a true record: _____ **Date:** _____