



A meeting of the Governing Body of Brompton Community Primary School was held at the school on Thursday 11th July 2019 @ 5.30pm

Minutes

Core Functions of GB:

- Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding the Head Teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money well spent

Present: Jane Byrne, HT (JB), Lisa Forbes (LF), Paul Forbes (PF), David Manning, DHT (DM) Louise Cuthbert, LA (LC), Lorna Hazelwood (LH), Elizabeth Price (EL)

Absent: Richard Lonsdale (apologies received) and Joolz Form (apologies received), Nigel Hebron, Chair (apologies received)

In attendance: Caroline Rayner (NYCC Clerk) Nicky Milton (NYCC Bursar)

PART ‘A’ – PROCEDURAL

No.	Item	Actions
BCP/088 /19	Apologies for absence and to determine whether any absences should be consented to. All apologies were consented to.	
BCP/090 /19	To remind governors of the need to declare interests, pecuniary or non-pecuniary None	
BCP/091 /19	To determine whether any part of the proceedings should be treated as confidential and excluded from the minutes to be made available for public inspection None	
BCP/092 /19	Notification of urgent other business None	
BCP/093 /19	To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 27th June 2019. The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a correct record.	
BCP/094 /19	To consider matters arising from the minutes and for which there is no separate agenda item above The issue with the boys toilet is in hand	
BCP/095 /19	Correspondence None	
BCP/096 /19	Governor Training No new training available. The Head had a meeting recently with other heads from local schools and apparently Brompton school had three places booked on a course at one of the schools that were facilitating the course but none of our governors turned up. The clerk confirmed she wasn't aware of the course and the governors weren't either. Hopefully will pick this training up another time.	



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BCP/097 /19	Safeguarding/Child Protection The situation is the same as the last meeting	
BCP/098 /19	Policies for Review None currently – The Deputy Head advised that there will be more from September coming up for review again.	
BCP/099 /19	To discuss the start budget The school bursar asked if anyone had any questions on the information that had been sent round to all. She stated that the budget has improved greatly since she last came to the meeting earlier in the year and the school is in a much better position now. The budget sometimes changes quite dramatically term by term. A governor asked what had made the budget improve and the bursar explained that 13 extra children had joined the school recently and each of these children is worth £3,500 to the school so this has meant an increase funds for the school, which is great news. To have an increase of this quantity of children joining the school is fantastic. The bursar said that the playground project has progressed and the preferred quote is approx. £25k and it will be shown as a capital project scheme in the school budget as an over spend initially but it will move back across to revenue when the specified funds come in from various streams at the end of the financial year. A governor asked what the schools current numbers were like and what happens if we become oversubscribed? – The bursar suggested that if we get near to over subscription we do have the wrap around class that we could use as a classroom if we need to during the day. However, we have to be careful that if we take on more pupils, which is what we always want, we have to ensure we have the resource to cover this and don’t over stretch staff. Another governor asked if anyone knew what the birth rates were like in Northallerton. This couldn’t be confirmed as not been looked into at all recently but the head said that she could not guarantee how many children will come to the school every year and also can’t predict how many may also leave.. The governors approved the start budget. Playground update Discussion turned to the playground work - quotes have been obtained and a preferred contractor has been spoken to. For clarification, the bursar said that as an FGB we don’t have to go for the cheapest quote and as long as it is minuted and have a good reason for the decision then we can appoint whoever we feel will provide the best service, quality and within our time constraints. The head and the DHT took the governors outside to show them the proposal for the outside area. They pointed out where each item would go. A positive thing about the plan is that there will be a grounds maintenance reduction due	



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	<p>to less grass cutting costs as astro turf like material will be laid. The successful contractor provided a great proposal and governors were looking forward to seeing the end result.</p> <p>Louise Cuthbert left at 6pm.</p>	
BCP/100 /19	<p>To confirm the next governing body meeting dates for 2019/2020 Meeting dates for 2019/2020 were discussed. The bursar said the most important meeting for her is around December and one in the spring, so there needs to be a meeting then.</p> <p>The following dates were agreed: September 26th 2019 October 17th 2019 November 21st 2019 December 5th 2019 January 23rd 2020 February 27th 2020 March 26th 2020 May 14th 2019</p> <p>All to commence at 5:30pm</p> <p>Further dates to be discussed with the whole meeting once the chair has returned to the meeting in September.</p>	
BCP/101 /19	<p>To agree the schedule of Governing body work for 2019/2020 To be determined at a later date</p>	
PART “B” – Other Business		
BCP/102 /19	<p>To deal with any matters agreed for consideration under item 4 above None</p>	
BCP/103 /19	<p>“What Impact have we made” The playground was discussed and the governors were pleased with the outcome. The head will send out details of the playground proposal to all.</p>	Head
BCP/104 /19	<p>Date and time of next meeting 26th September 2019 at 5:30pm</p>	
BCP/105 /19	<p>AOB: SATs results have just been received on Tuesday. The DHT went through the paper that was circulated at the meeting. The results are good and we are pleased.</p> <p>The combined score is down from last year but scaled scores are still ok. He is hoping to recheck a couple of the marks in some areas as the scores were borderline.</p> <p>Reading result dropped due to the size of the class. The EGPS score has dropped slightly but still ok. There are more children this year (26) which shows in the figures.</p> <p>Writing combined is good which is pleasing.</p>	



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A governor asked if a child can be removed from an exam if they have extreme needs and it was explained that this is hard to do and it does need to be very bad before this happens.

It only takes a couple of children to do badly and the figures drop significantly.

KS1 – results were briefly discussed. The school is still above the national average.

A governor asked the DHT – “Are you happy with these results?” Yes, as a whole but within KS2 there were a few who made silly mistakes but it is what it is now.

It’s important to remember that SATs are just one element of school life and not the whole package.

Thanks from all the governors was given to the DHT, and all school staff, for all the hard work and effort put in across the year to achieve these excellent results.

The meeting ended at 7:05pm

Signed:

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Date: