

# Governor of the Term report

## Term 2 November/December 2016

#### Governor name

Mr David W Tarr

Tue.1 Nov

Met Samantha Saville Headteacher at 1.30pm in her office for discussion of the programme for the term and the main project "To improve attendance and punctuality to meet 97% national Target".

Reviewed the actions from the Improvement plan. Planned next meeting With Leah Perring on 3.11.16 at 3:30:

- **a**. to examine the SIMS data and review all pupils where attendance is less than 95%
- **b**. to consider action plan for correcting this
- **c**. Agree milestone times, from now to July 2017, to monitor results and agree actions to be taken.

Agreed the following visit times

3rd Nov 1:30 p.m. review RE lesson in year 6 with Leah Perring and Katy Thomas

7<sup>th</sup> Nov 9:00 a.m. attend and review Worship Costain visit

10<sup>th</sup> Nov 1.30 p.m. attend Visit with EWO Maxine Garner

15<sup>th</sup> Nov 9:00 a.m. Class 4 worship review and evaluate

Dec 5/6/7/8<sup>th</sup> Nativity play

14th Dec School Christmas Carol Service at Church.

14<sup>th</sup> Dec Christmas dinner for Governors and Teachers with children.

15<sup>th</sup> Dec 9 – 11:00 a.m. Talent show AK's got talent.

19<sup>th</sup> Dec 9:00 a.m. Heroes and Heroines Worship with parents

Review the Worship and RE, programme to select weekly Worship/lesson visit followed by learning walk.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov Met with Rev Shirley and Sam at 1.30 p.m. to set parameters and do SMSC and Christian spirituality walk. (See separate report for governors)

2.pm met Yr 6 led by Miss Perring for RE lesson review. (see separate report governors)

With Rev Shirley carried out School Walk to assess SMSC and Christian spirituality (see separate report for governors)

At 3.30 pm Met with Miss Perring to discuss attendance. (see separate report for governors)

Using SIMS produced information transferred to the Target tracker. Analysed results for each class discussing all pupils with attendance record less than 95%. In each case discussing what action has been, or needs to be taken, to improve the situation and measures the response, and effect on the level of attendance

Mon. 7<sup>th</sup> Nov

Attended a "Thank you Worship" also covering a Talk on Energy use and conservation by Jonathan New from Costain Ltd. who gave the Solar powered Water Feature to the school. Taken by Sam. (See separate report for governors)

Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> Nov

attended a meeting with EWO Maxine Garner to discuss absenteeism and action being taken to correct the pupils attending for less than 95%. See also my report on meeting with Miss Perring on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec

Met with the Performance review Committee and SIP Sheryl Staton to review Headteacher Sam Saville's

performance against targets set last year and discussed and agreed new targets for the coming year

#### Tuesday 6th Dec Attended Governors lunch

Followed by a performance by KS1 of the Nativity Bethlehem News. Attended by more than 90 parents in the School Hall speaking parts were very clear and well learned delivered in most cases with a lot of feeling, singing by solo duet and whole KS1 was very good diction and well-tuned with appropriate actions all guided by teachers. Costumes were as always outstanding from Soldiers marching to Angels dancing and all staged well. Received a well-earned ovation after each piece and at the conclusion. Parents went away well pleased with what they had heard.

#### Wednesday7th Dec

PHSE lesson in class 5 the subject was looking after Money, to examine how it is spent or saved, the value of Money and how it is used. (See separate report)

### Thursday 14th Dec

Attended Christmas lunch, spent time over lunch talking to the children general consensus good food and good service many children had seconds especially of sausage wrapped in bacon!

Followed this attended at Holy Cross Church for the School Christmas worship.

A good programme of reading prayers and singing covering the Nativity story from all classes R to yr 6 plus the School Choir.

Good reading and speaking from all, and the singing was terrific from all classes and the school choir

Very good attendance by parents (approx. 80+) standing room only at the end.

Friday 19th Dec. Attended Heroes and Heroines Collective Worship

Presentation of awards for many reasons from friendship to outstanding work.

More than 90 parents and friends attended with the whole school in the Hall.

A very good rewarding experience much appreciated by the parents and friends.

I wish to express my grateful thanks to Mrs Saville, all the staff and children for letting me come and see them at work, during my Governor of the Term visits, it was always very enjoyable, I was very impressed and I look forward to my future visits.

Many Thanks and a Happy New year to everyone

David Tarr Foundation Governor