



Governors' Impact Report

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Subject Impact Report for Governors' Meeting

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- Started with two informative presentations to the governors :
 1. Early Years Assessment online system by Donna Wilson
 2. NPQH project: How to increase boys' reading attainment by Gez Butchers

The governors would like to thank Donna and Gez for their time this evening and providing the Governors with an overview of the assessment system and the challenges facing teachers to engage boys with reading .

- Well done to the governors who have resolved the majority of matters outstanding from previous meetings.

Governors meeting structures:

A discussion took place and it was agreed that :

- To implement area champions in the agreed designated sections from the previous meeting . This role is to delegate and co-ordinate issues within the area's remit. Governors volunteered themselves for these roles : Mrs Mercer, Mr Elliott, Mr Mills and Rev Gill.
- Agree that all governors to read papers prior to the meeting and email response questions to the paper **PRIOR** to the meeting. This will provide adequate time to investigate and respond to the same questions during the meeting with an informative answer.
- Governors to have own school email addresses which the clerk will arrange. The Chair requested the clerk to insert a read receipt on the circulated papers emails.

School Standards and outcomes:

- Excellent results with all areas above the national average and the previous year's results. All attendees thought this was a tremendous effort from both the staff and pupils' cohort. Well done to all involved.
- Head teacher confirmed there are processes in place to support vulnerable children .

Headteachers report:

PSHME package has been purchased by the school to assist with the new curriculum.

- Noted that accidents had reduced.
- Overall pupil numbers has reduced with no pattern with leavers' reasons . Reduced numbers will affect the school finances.

- Staff have taken the opportunity of free funding to enrol with various training courses: HT training, senior and middle leaders training packages. With staff visiting other schools they will be able to review best practices and bring any of these learning points back to the school.

Clerk's update:

- With the governors now dividing into areas, it was felt that governors need to review their own training needs and/or updates required to fit their areas' needs.
- Mary Dean's governors have completed more on-line training than any other primary school in Plymouth
- This monthly standing agenda item will demonstrate governors' attendance record and if there is an issue with attendance the Chair will address them.

Parents survey results:

- Only 47 responses from 339 pupils.
- There were very positive results which need to be taken into account but the school needs to investigate the two negative responses Q4 schools response to being bullied and Q6 -raising concerns with the school. The school SLT team will devise an action plan to address these responses.
- Governors who were sent the survey (as parents) said it was hard to access and the wording of the questions were not user friendly. Head teacher said the questions were exactly the same as parent view portal used by Ofsted.