



FULBRIDGE ACADEMY
MINUTES OF CURRICULUM & STANDARDS
VIRTUAL MEETING
17th SEPTEMBER 2020 @ 2pm

Present: Lucy Edwards, Helen Bath (Chair), Gareth Davis, Chloe Coles, Ben Erskine, Lorna Finch
Apologies: Jo Adcock, Andrew Currie
Absent: None

1. Welcome & Apologies

Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted apologies from Jo

2. Declaration of interest

No interest declared

3. Matters arising & Minutes from previous meeting

The minutes were agreed as a true representation of the meeting that took place.

Chair questioned the principal on the Reading that was overviewed at the last meeting, to see how this had been affected by lockdown. The principal advised that the priority for this year was moving towards a reading focus.

GOV - Has the learning to read in 100 hours been followed through?

It was working quite effectively before lockdown, the lower the reading ability the better. We found that with those who had learned to read in a different way before it was not effective. We will try to continue going forward, but as we can't have groups out of class at the moment it is going to be difficult.

4. Election of Chair of Committee

Lucy has been chair for 2 years and offered someone else the opportunity to take it on. Chair asked if CC would like to consider being chair of committee, she will make a decision by the next meeting.

HB to chair the committee for the time being.

5. Review of Terms of Reference

Agreed that they should remain the same

6. Presentation on Curriculum and Standards changes for this year - Andrew Currie was unable to attend so this presentation will be done at the next meeting.

7. **SATS Overview** - LA put together projected results due to COVID 19

Overviewed by the principal. He advised that these results are not overly useful as they are only predicted results. With children missing so much of the school year they are really not accurate. Children have had different experiences during lockdown and will have learned different things depending on the support they had.

SATS will be back this year in the same week in May, there is no extra time given.

GOV - Is it not going to give a false picture if children have to self isolate and miss 2 weeks of school at a time?

Principal - Children may be lucky in not having to self isolate but yes, it is likely to affect most children in one way or another. and we will have to provide work and keep them up to speed where possible.

GOV - Do you have a plan if anyone Year 6 have to isolate?

Principal - Yes, we are planning on sending home slides from each lesson. The teacher will provide input over google hangout for year 6. We want to interact with the children as much as possible but this will be difficult as they will be teaching the rest of the class. We are hoping COVID doesn't hit year 6!

GOV - What about individuals who have to be off.

We are asking them to continue with Oak Hill Academy which is the work that the children were doing over the Lockdown period. The teacher will send home slides from the day's lessons as well.

GOV - Would we send paper copies home if they cant access the internet.

Yes, this is what we had been doing in lockdown.

GOV asked LE as a parent Governor how she felt the work over lockdown was received?

Very well - responded well to Oak Academy as it was a real person on the screen rather than just doing worksheets.

We use Star Assessment in class which they do on the ipad. This has been done in the first couple of weeks and this gives us a picture of the strengths and weaknesses for individuals and a starting point for moving forward.

We have put catch up lessons in place as Music, Forest School, and ICT are not taking place at the moment. They are being substituted by catch up lessons for any gaps that need filling from last year.

GOV - advised that at her school they are finding it difficult with staff being off self isolating because of family members for 14 days. There is a strong possibility of closing if they don't have sufficient adults!

GOV - So far has concentration been good?

Principal advised that the children are pleased to be back and have settled in well.

8. **Lesson Observations / Snapshot Data**

There is no data to be discussed at the moment but this will continue this term and be reported once the information is available.

9. Any other business

GOV shared that he came into school yesterday, the calmness was still there, and the school didn't feel any different which was great to see.

Date of next meeting

5th November 2020