

## **Chairs Report**

### **Curriculum and Standards Committee**

**Friday 2nd March 2017**

#### **Committee**

Present: Liz Court, Elaine Hurley , Craig Tallon, Mark Russell - Deputy Head

Absent: Juliyah Brown, Kay Vanner

#### **Report**

#### **Matters Arising**

The committee acknowledged the ratification of their Terms of Reference at the autumn term governing body meeting on 9th November 2016.

#### **Teaching and Learning Working Parties**

The Curriculum Working Party is chaired by Mark Russell. During the spring term the focus has been about embedding new developments implemented during the autumn. These focused on reviewing policies, curriculum maps and subject passports. Coordinators also had a monitoring day. An INSET Day task in April will be to draw together work done to create new Curriculum Coordinator Folders. These will be reviewed at the summer term Curriculum Committee.

#### **Assessment Working Party**

Chaired by Katharine Gignac. Katharine has successfully completed the Associate Moderator Training with the Local Authority. Three sessions of ConnectEd partnership book sharing / moderation have taken place

1. Year group book share - November 2016
2. Y2 and Y6 Moderation session - January 2017
3. Y1,3,4,5 Book share March 2017

The Headteacher presented an updated whole school assessment and monitoring schedule. This has been developed to ensure consistent assessment mechanisms across the schools and establish the balance between testing and teacher judgements.

In January, a whole school model for teaching comprehension was developed. The effectiveness of this will be monitored by the committee next term.

#### **Standards**

New Barnet Software has been introduced called Route Map. This will run alongside Target Tracker. It provides a summary of pupil attainment and progress based on teacher judgements. It also allows filtering againsts contextual data.

#### **SEN**

Woodcroft submitted an application to become involved in a pilot Mental Health programme called Thrive. The application was distributed to Governors as it provided a concise summary of current mental health and wellbeing programmes at Woodcroft.

Provision mapping software has been commissioned for Woodcroft. INSET time has now being scheduled for teachers to draft learning plans and begin to use the system for monitoring effectiveness.

An updated School Development Plan was distributed to the Committee. It was presented alongside the Autumn Milestones document. Every term coordinators review progress towards their development plan targets. This 'Milestones' document provides Governors and SLT with a summary overview of actions and outcomes.

### **AIM@Digital**

Technology and Safer Internet Week was 6th to 10th February...

<http://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/digital-technology-and-safer-internet-week/>

The school's AIM@Digital programme promotes positive behaviour online, by encouraging the study of digital technology, computational thinking and online safety.

On Monday 6th February our Digital Champions prepared and presented an assembly to the whole school about safe internet use. Woodcroft Digital Champions are pupils that work with Mr Guest, our IT Lead Teacher, in a weekly club to manage our online applications and support their classes.

Safer Internet Day 2017 was celebrated globally on Tuesday 7th February with the theme 'Be the change: unite for a better internet'. Every class throughout the school took part in activities during PSHE lessons discovering how to show good manners while on the internet, and learning about online safety.

### **Online Safety Parent Workshop**

On Thursday 9th February parents were invited to a workshop to discuss the complex issues encountered when children use devices to go online. Mr Guest and Mr Tallon presented the outcomes from Woodcroft's most recent pupil surveys and highlighted some of the main issues. Practical ideas for how to help your child and links to recommended websites were also given.

### **NAACE Application**

The school is planning to submit its IT Quality Mark application to NAACE by the end of April 2017.

<https://www.naace.co.uk/school-improvement/ict-mark/>

### **ArtsMark Application**

Mr Tallon and Ms Sherring are in the process of completing the school's ArtsMark Application. This will be submitted before the end of term.

### **Year of Creative Arts 2016-17**

During the week of 20/2/17 the school held Creative Arts Week. The theme, 'Being Inspired', was linked to London Fashion Week. Year groups choose a different genre (Digital, 2D or 3D) for a 1 day project on aspects such as. famous designers, jewellery, historical clothing, textiles, printing and international costume. Outcomes for the week included research into an artist, classroom displays and updates to the gallery corridor frames and a fantastic catwalk fashion show assembly.

## **Spring Term Meetings and Monitoring Review**

The following governor foci were identified for individual standards moderation. During the Spring Term Governing Body Full Meeting it was agreed to review progress towards each aspect.

Liz – Reading Development and progress

Mandy – Meet Kay re: Overview of SEN Code of Practice + Intervention Planning & mapping

Kazeem – Meet Olivia re: Science Development Plan 2016-17 (carried over from Autumn Term)

Luke – NAACE Application / eSafety

Juliyah – Implementation of new Maths Scheme

Eleanor – Foundation Stage to Y1 Transition

Karen – review Extra Curricula Clubs & Observe Games Coach session (with SLT)

Father Moore – meet Jackie re: British Values

Donna – review Arts Award and impact across the school (carry over from Autumn)

Michelle - carry out Safeguarding Audit

**Liz Court**

**Chair of Governors**

**14th March 2017**