



ALDERLEY EDGE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

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Précis of Teaching and Learning Governor Meeting held on 19th October 2021

The Teaching and Learning Committee met (virtually) on 19th October. Minutes of the meeting will be published on the school website in due course. All members of the committee were in attendance. Key topics that were addressed were as follows:-

PHSE: We reflected on how the school was addressing any general issues regarding Ofsted's national review into Sexual Abuse in Schools and Colleges. Governors were assured that all aspects raised in the report were being covered by the school's PSHE curriculum. Staff safeguarding training also focus on Sexual Abuse, the school has anti-bullying ambassadors and pupils know who they can speak to an adult if they are at all concerned. Online safety, including the sharing of images, is covered in Computer Science.

Catch-Up Premium: The Catch-Up Premium plan is on the school website. Although expensive, 1-1 or small group tutoring still provides the best progress. Governors were updated with the 2021/22 plan as the focus has changed since last year with emphasis being put on tutoring where there is an identified need. This demonstrates that the school is able to change its approach, depending on needs. Although there is a National Tutoring Scheme in place for schools to use, the school feels it better to use it's own tutors so a bespoke programme can be adopted.

Safeguarding: This remains of paramount importance to the school. The safeguarding register is regularly checked by the link Governor responsible for safeguarding and all staff and Governors have read Part 1 of the updated Keeping Children Safe in Education. In addition, any new member of staff are fully vetted (DBS check, appropriate references) before they can commence working at AECPS

Staff Wellbeing: Governors are acutely aware of the impact that Covid-19 has had on everybody. In particular, staff at AECPS have had to become more technologically savvy, prepare different styles of lessons during lockdown and ensure all the new Covid-19 measures are in place in school to keep the children safe. The Governors recognise that this is no easy task and have tried to support the Headteacher and staff at the school throughout the pandemic. Link Governors agreed that they would make asking staff about their wellbeing the first task when conducting a visit in school. Additionally, the committee have added staff wellbeing as a rolling agenda item at our termly meetings.

If you would like to discuss any matters arising from this precis, or indeed any other matter regarding Teaching and Learning at the school, please do not hesitate to contact the school who can pass your query onto Nick Hughes (Chair of Teaching & Learning Committee.)