

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
ST MARGARET'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL LOCAL GOVERNING BODY
HELD ON THURSDAY 17th JULY 2024
AT 9.30AM
VIA ZOOM**

Present: Rev Canon Ade Ademola (Chair) (AA)
Mr Hilton Idahosa (HI)
Mr Alan Harris (AH)
Mrs Alisha Anderson (ALA)
Ms Toyin Dairo (TD)
Rev. Mark Adams (MA)
Mr Amir Lemouchi (AL)
Mrs Sophie Bannon (SB)

Clerk Ms Alison Brown

Summary of agreements and actions:

Minute reference	Formal agreements and/or actions identified	Named person(s) for action(s) identified	Completion date
6.1.2	Update on outcome of appeal	SB	Autumn meeting
6.1.5	Further information on School of Sanctuary at next meeting	SB	Autumn meeting
6.9.3	MA and SB to arrange a meeting to discuss further	MA&SB	Autumn term

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 1.1 AA welcomed all and opened the meeting with a prayer Canon Ade Ademola
- 1.2 Apologies were received and accepted from Beverley Hall, emma Cherry and Angela Alabi
- 1.3 The Clerk confirmed that the meeting was quorate.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 2.1 There were no declarations made pertaining to any of the agenda items for this meeting.

3. GOVERNING BODY

- 3.1 The Clerk confirmed that a parent and staff election would take place in the following term
- 3.2 Mr Amir Lemouchi was ratified as associate member from September 2024

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AA

4. MINUTES

4.1 Governors received the minutes of the governing board meeting held on 7th March 2024 and agreed these to be an accurate record of the meeting.

5. CHAIR'S ACTION

5.1 The Chair advised the Had been no actions under Chairs action since the last meeting:

6. SCHOOL ITEMS

6.1 Governors acknowledged they had received the written headteachers report

6.1.2 SATS data had been released on the 9th July, SB stated she was delighted with the results which were as follows. The school had contested 1 paper due to it being only 1 mark out.

ACTION: Update on outcome of appeal

KS2 SATs Percentages		2024	
		School	National Average
Reading	Expected+	89%	74%
	Higher	54%	
Writing	Expected+	89%	72%
	Higher	20%	
Maths	Expected+	91%	73%
	Higher	59%	
Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling	Expected+	93%	72%
	Higher	75%	
Combined	Expected+	86%	61%
	Higher	20%	

6.1.3 In phonics screening pupils had achieved a 95% pass rate, this included 1 child who had previously not passed in year 1 who successfully resat the exam. Of the three children who did not pass this year, one is being educated in alternative provision and could only access our phonics intervention once a week. The other two showed remarkable progress, improving from initial scores of 4 and 6 in the Autumn term to 26 and 28, respectively.

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6.1.4 The Multiplication Tables Check had also proved to be successful with a 98% of pupils achieving full marks or 1 mark away from full marks.

6.1.5 St Margaret’s had become the first school in Barking to be awarded School of Sanctuary status. This award recognises that St Margaret’s is dedicated to being open and welcoming to refugees and ensuring all pupils feel valued and respected. This was an in depth process with an initial bid being submitted followed by a visit from a team to speak to staff, pupils and parents.

ACTION: Further information on School of Sanctuary at next meeting

6.1.6 The young Transformers programme continues to be a success with a focus on the 5 C’s Creative, Community, Curious, Caring and Confidence. Trips had taken place to see The Lion King, Rock climbing, Chessington world of Adventures. and the World Vision Concert. These trips all provided rich character building experiences for pupils that may not have been available to them otherwise.

6.1.7 Behaviour across the school continued to be excellent with 1 child currently on a behaviour chart and no suspensions, racial, bullying or harmful sexual behaviour.

Behaviour	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Suspensions (internal/external)	3 suspensions 2 pupils	0	0
Racial incidents	0	0	0
Bullying incidents	0	0	0
Harmful sexual behaviour	2	0	0
Behaviour charts	3	2	1

6.1.8 There were currently 11 children of concern and 5 with social worker involvement.

Question: Are any of these pupils leaving at the end of year 6?

Answer: There will be some leaving however there may be pupils joining reception with needs we are not yet aware of. there is often an increase in September when these children start.

Group	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Children looked after	0	0	0
Child Protection Plan	0	0	0
Child in Need Plan	6	6	6
Social Worker involvement	3	5	5

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Children of concern (overall)	9	11	11
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6.1.9 In September there will be 1 new ECT and 1 ECT continuing into their second year. There is 1 member of staff who returned from maternity leave who will now be leaving at the end of term. Two new ALPS have been successfully recruited and 2 members of staff will be moving to St Mary's.

Question: Are you fully staffed for September with these changes?

Answer: Yes, despite recruitment being harder each year we have successfully filled any positions needed.

6.2 SDP end of year review

Governors acknowledged receipt of this item

6.3 Admissions Report

Governors acknowledged receipt of this item

6.3.1 The new Reception cohort had a successful meet and greet, with 57 parents attending to meet their child's teacher. The Reception year is now full which is an achievement as across the borough there is a fall in roles. There are also 28 children on the waiting list for Year 1. This is a real testament to how far St Margaret's has come and how popular the school now is.

6.4 Pupil Premium Review

Governors acknowledged receipt of this item

6.4.1 Targets support was in place with tailored interventions taking place. These have proved successful with results for disadvantaged pupils across the school being higher than the national averages. Specifically tailored trips for pupil premium pupils have taken place across the year to ensure they enjoy enriching learning opportunities.

6.4.2 CPD continued to be a focus with the ECT program continuing to be developed. One ECT from this year has now started a NPQLT in leading teaching.

6.4.3 Our Accelerated Leadership program has been instrumental in utilising the Pupil Premium funding, in collaboration with the Head of School to develop STEM to ensure PP pupils face no disadvantages in this area. Pupils eligible for pupil premium have been part of two teams representing the school in the national F1 finals and regional engineering showcase. As a result, interest within the STEM field and aspirations are higher.

6.4.4 Attendance for disadvantaged pupils nationally is very low, at St Margaret's the most vulnerable pupils attendance rate is 96%. Pupils also attend Saturday school, morning boosters and Easter/Summer schools. Pupils have a desire to be in school and to excel.

6.5 PE and Sport Premium Review

Governors acknowledged receipt of this item

6.5.1 Swimming lessons have been consistently provided to Year 4 children throughout the year with 75% of pupils meeting the national curriculum requirements.

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6.5.2 The PE lead is working to develop engagement, knowledge and enjoyment across the curriculum. The Get Set 4 PE scheme has been successfully implemented. This sets out clear guidance and expectations. A further INSET session for PE has been delivered focusing on best practice, clear success criteria and curriculum design.

6.5.3 A wide range of activities are provided at lunchtimes and after school including basketball, gymnastics, cricket, boccia, handball, archery, athletics, karate, multisports and football.

6.6 Meeting Planner of Dates 24-25
Governors acknowledged receipt of this item

6.7 Term dates 2025-2026
Governors acknowledged receipt of this item

6.8 Computing Report
Governors acknowledged receipt of this item

6.9 Worship Report
Governors acknowledged receipt of this item

6.9.1 Reverend Mark Provides weekley assemblies with class teachers or members of SLt leading these the other days of the week. Thanks were noted to Rev Mark for delivering these, they had proved to be very popular with pupils and staff. Rev. Mark noted that a youth and children's worker was joining the church soon who should be able to provide support.

6.9.2 There would be a celebration event in the church the following week and the hope was to also have a choir for Christmas carols as this had been successful the previous year.

6.9.3 It was noted that the school and church were very integrated with more children attending church on a regular basis. Rev. Mark noted that the church was a member of Barking and Dagenham Citizens and that the school could become more involved with this if they wished

ACTION: MA and SB to arrange a meeting to discuss further

7. POLICIES

Governors ratified the following Policies:

New Governor Induction Policy

Coaching POP s

MFL

Music

Bereavement policy

Mobile phone policy

First aid

Emergency School Closure

8. DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

8.1 Date of next meeting 5th December 2024 at 9.30am via Zoom

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Summer Term 2024

Thanks were given to all staff and Governors fro the hard work put in over the academic year

The meeting closed at 11am.

Chair:Ven.Ade Ademola..... (print)

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Date:5th December 2024.....

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