

BANISTER PRIMARY SCHOOL
MEETING OF THE FULL GOVERNING BODY

THURSDAY 18th JUNE 2020

9.00 AM

MINUTES

Those Present:

Kate Vincent (Head Teacher)
Peter McBride (Chair)
Vivek Kohli
Dave Hockin
Matthew Turpin
Richard Congreve (joined the meeting during item 4)
Romana Syed
Marion Clelland
Laura Racioppi (joined the meeting during item 4)
Cllr. Steve Leggett
Samantha Clough
Vicky Boothman
Peter Davison (joined the meeting during item 4)
Luke Newman (joined the meeting during item 4)

Apologies:

Absent: None.

In attendance:

Katie Pevreall (Clerk)

Notes: Item 3 was discussed via email after the meeting.

1. Welcome, Present and Apologies

1a. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Declaration of Interest

2a. Governors did not declare an interest in any of the agenda items.

3. Minutes and Actions of the previous meeting

3a. The Chair signed the minutes following an email discussion after the meeting.

4. Review of Current Situation and Next Steps

4a. The board was informed that there were three 'bubbles' in Y6, and a bubble in every other year group with limited spaces left. There were 135 children attending school at the moment, but not all at the same time. The maximum number of pupils in one day so far has been 106.

4b. Richard Congreve joined the meeting.

4c. The school had prioritised the siblings of Y6 pupils and vulnerable children to reduce the number of households coming into school.

4d. Vivek Kohli joined the meeting.

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4e. It was noted that the school was trying to achieve consistency for the staff and children and it seemed to be working well so far. In-class teachers were now able to return to normal lessons.

4f. The school had redone the drop off and pick up zones so that people from different bubbles weren't meeting. It was noted that the lunchtime staff had been doing an amazing job.

Q: Are there any vacancies in Y6 bubbles?

A: Only three.

4g. The board discussed the school's capacity to provide teaching and learning over the Summer holidays. It was noted that it was up to each individual school to decide, but the school did not feel that SLT could continue through Summer without a break. The board expressed anxieties over the return to school in September and the lack of clarity as to what they can expect.

4h. Laura Racioppi joined the meeting.

4i. The school told the board that they felt the best approach for the time being was to be with children and parents in the here and now and focus on concluding the year and looking at class lists going forward.

4j. It was noted that the school did not want to expand any further before the Summer holidays unless there was a significant change. Governors agreed that the school should tell parents that there would be no further year groups returning to school before the Summer. However, it was noted that they may be able to open one more bubble if there was a need for key workers and any children who were involved with social services.

4k. It was noted that the refacing planned for the summer would not affect the operation of the school as the contractors were fitting a tunnel that would allow the site to continue to be used.

4l. Luke Newman and Peter Davison joined the meeting

4m. It was noted that the risk assessment would need to be revisited before September.

4n. The board discussed what was in place for Y5. It was noted that the school would have liked to see Y5 pupils return before the summer, however it had been one of the hardest bubbles to fill.

4o. It was noted that many families were shielding, and the school was expecting many parents to be reluctant to let their children return to school in September.

4p. Governors noted that they may need to be available for last minute decisions over the summer. It was agreed that the school would completely shut down for the first two weeks of August to allow SLT to have a break.

4q. The school and governors discussed who would need to isolate if a pupil or teacher showed symptoms. The school expressed concerns over the impact of what children were doing outside of school and whom they were interacting with.

4r. The board was informed that the school had to provide a daily return to the DfE of approximately four pages long with details about children and staff and any symptoms they had displayed.

4s. It was agreed that the Headteacher would ask SLT about how they feel about carrying out subject leadership interviews. Governors agreed they were still happy for them to take place but they understood if they were delayed under the current circumstances.

ACTION: KV to discuss subject leadership interviews with SLT.

5. Any Other Notified Business

5a. No other business was brought to the board's attention.

ACTIONS:

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