



Frimley Junior AQC Minutes, Tuesday 16th November 2021, gam

Present: Tony Ryles (Chair), Clare Wright (Head), Rachel Farage, Anna Stroud, Natalie Stoker, Suzanne Bullen, Patricia Davis, Richard Forster

In attendance: Kate Thomlinson (Governance Professional), Ben Callow (English Leader)

1. Subject Area Presentation

The English department provided a Curriculum update informing the AQC of the adoption of 'The Write Stuff' programme to improve writing. The new programme was formally introduced September 2021 although elements were in use before then. Results are already been seen in writing across all year groups. The AQC thanked Ben for the highly useful and informative presentation. It was noted that historically English results have been marginally worse than maths and therefore this initiative is highly desirable.

2. Standing Items

- 1.1 Apologies: Vanessa Land (Vice Chair)
- 1.2 Declaration of Interests: No further interests declared.
- 1.3 AQC Minutes 5th October 2021 were approved.
- 1.4 Action Points from previous meetings
 - RF and TR to discuss Equality and Diversity AQC role. *RF and TR have discussed this role in depth, see Chair's update.*
 - KT to confirm who takes responsibility for the Single Central Record noting that there is a Trust HR Compliance Officer. *The Trust takes responsibility for the SCR but the information comes from the Academy, hence the creation of the Trust HR Compliance role. The Safeguarding Councillors are not required to check the SCR but may wish to sit in on meetings with the DSL and HR Compliance.*
 - KT to circulate enrolment figures. *Completed.*
 - RF to invite NS and SB to Safeguarding INSET taking place 1st November 2021. *Completed.*

3. Chair's Update

3.1 TPT Update

- TR updated the AQC on the Board meeting and Trust Strategy Day held 12th October 2021, a collaborative exercise to help focus the priorities of TPT. Mastery and transition were areas discussed a length and it was noted that the Mastery approach has been in use at Frimley for some time. Enrolment figures across the Trust were also considered. In the discussion on demographics, CW informed the AQC that a

response to the consultation on Cross Farm is being formulated. CW is also investigating creating stronger links with North Farnborough.

- TR has been in discussion with RF regarding the AQC Equality and Diversity link. VL has agreed to take on this role. Enrichment days will be held in the next two terms where E&D will be covered.
- TR has been to visit Suresh Menon, the vicar at St Andrew's, and intends to visit on a regular basis to ensure the close links between Frimley Junior and St Andrew's are maintained. The importance of these links for SIAMS was noted.

Action: KT to investigate Equality and Diversity training courses for VL and TR

Action: CW/KT to share full Cross Farm Consultation Document with AQC

Action: RF/KT to share previous SIAMS report

3.2 Feedback on Councillor Visits

- NS and SB attended the Safeguarding INSET day held 1st November. This was highly informative.
- TR attended the Pupil Progress meetings for years 4,5 and 6.

4. Senior Leadership Team Update

4.1 Head's Report

CW presented her written report. Attendance for the first half of the autumn term was 97.29% against a target of 97%. Compared to the national average of 90.6%. There are no outstanding complaints and no exclusions. Overall behaviour has been very good. However, managing COVID cases in school is very difficult for staff.

4.2 Teaching and Learning Update

RF updated the AQC on teaching and learning developments where there has been a focus on independent writing. RF is currently considering the language used to increase consistency with other Trust Academies. RF is currently undertaking a fourteen month Equality and Diversity training programme consisting of twelve 3hr training sessions

4.3 Use of Catch-Up Funding

CW informed the AQC that Frimley Junior is taking the school-led tuition approach with regards to Catch-Up funding. There were no further questions on this paper.

4.4 Year Group Summaries from Pupil Progress Meetings

TR attended 3 of 4 of the Pupil Progress Meetings. Vince Scannella, Trust Director of Education was present at all the meetings. The detailed reports were noted by the AQC.

4.5 Events for this Term

Currently it is expected that all the Christmas events will take place as scheduled. All Councillors are invited to attend the School Production 8th December.

5. Safeguarding

5.1 Safeguarding Update

- The School has received two child protection enquires from outside agencies.
- The new Securely App has been successful in identifying attempts to access inappropriate material online. In one case parents were contacted. Due to the efficiency of the app the case was dealt with within the same day. Thanks to Steven Pink for his help in setting this up.
- CW has been working with Matt Smith (SFCE) and Helen Rushby (Tomlinscote) to streamline a Safeguarding Audit Tool, this will be shared with NS when it is ready.
- Behaviour has been very good across all year groups

6. Calendar

- 18 January 2022, 6pm
- 29 March 2022, 9am
- 24 May 2022, 6pm
- 21 June 2022, 11.45am, Trust Advisory Forum
- 19 July 2022, 9am

Meeting closed 11am.