

Chesterton Community College
Teaching and Learning Committee
Minutes from 24th November 2016

Present: Roger Mann (RM), Lucy Scott (LS), Simon Peyton-Jones (SPJ), Katherine Hutchinson (KH), Colleen Lehane (CL), Lucy Lewis (LL), Rolf Purvis (RP), Donna Young (DY), Morag Morrison-Helme, Luke Turner (LT), Peter Rodgers (PR), Morgain Murray – Williams.

This meeting was quorate of 9 Governors out of 10 present.

1. **Apologies:** Shelley Lockwood.
2. **Declaration of Conflict of Interests:** None Declared.
3. **Register of Business Interests:** None Declared.
4. **Minutes from the last meeting: (20.10.2016):** These were agreed and signed as a true record by the chair.
5. **Matters Arising:** It was agreed to look at KS3 data early in the autumn term and then again around February. The committee had an update on the High Performance Learning Project. RP told the committee that a first training session had been completed. It's a two year process and governors were keen to see how things progressed. This was to be revisited by governors around June/July for an update. KH added that governors would be more than welcome to log into webinars or to come to meetings.
6. **Art & Design Faculty:** MMW spoke to the committee about how the two departments have now been combined. MMW took over the Art department two years ago and has now recently taken on the design department. Its early days but a clear action plan has been established. We currently have two groups doing Art and Design in year 11. Governors questioned the content of the GCSE requirements to which

MMW spoke about in depth and also included the different work that students are now doing for example 3D indorsements. There are some specialist teachers who are looking into trying new things. Governors questioned the staffing to which MMW responded that at the moment it is separate staffing but hoping to use some of the skills that different teachers have to combine the two departments. There is an Art Exhibition which is on next Wednesday 14th December where all mock work will be displayed for people to come and have a look at. Governors were invited to attend. Governors questioned changes in Art grading to which MMW explained that it was a major change and a different way of marking for teachers. MMH added that it was good to know that the Arts are thriving.

Lucy Scott entered at 4.10pm

MMW explained that students are using their iPads to develop skills and produce some fantastic work. MMW is keen to bring out the strengths in the Art and Design department. Governors questioned the possibility of facilities being rented out to which MMW agreed but wanted to ensure that this is done in the correct way. MMH thanked MMW for coming along.

7. **Policies:** There were no policies to be reviewed.
8. **Ofsted Update:** LS explained that we have still had no news regarding an Ofsted visit. As a school we are as prepared and as ready as we can be and we are working to good framework.
9. **Pupil Premium:** LS added that we have good learning mentors who are doing dual roles and making good progress. We have high attaining pupil premium at 40% and have had a recent spotlight on Pupil Premium and SEN. Lynsey Rooker and Jo Borroughes have been doing lots of work, so would be good to have them come along to a meeting to discuss the work that they have been doing.
10. **AOB:** Governors suggested some items that would be of interest to talk about for future meetings. It was agreed for the clerk to look through previous agendas and provide details of topics previously spoke about. It

was suggested to spread out topics and draw up a programme.
Governors suggested music in the 3rd term.
High Performance learning – Mid June.
Subject leaders accompanied by students.
Student Council members could come and talk about different topics.
Shape of Curriculum and Enrichment.
It was agreed an annual cycle needs to be drawn up.

Action: clerk to look through agendas and summarise topics that have been looked at.

11. **Date of next meeting:** 26th January 2016

This meeting closed at 4.45pm