

## Head teacher's report to Governors May 2016

### Statistics

	2015	2016
Whole school figure	326 (0-11)	427
No. of FSM/PP	56%/70%	49%/62%
No of EAL	31% 13 languages	34% (N-Y6) 20 languages
No. of SEN	19%	23%
More Able	32%	23%
No. of CP	10	19
No. of LAC	4	7
No. of referrals	4	1
No. of complaints	2	0
No. of CAFs	14 (10 other invol.)	3 (10 child in need)
Attendance	95.9%	96%

Y2 and Y6 have been working hard towards their SATs. Both year groups came to Easter school and over 80% attended. Y2 did the reading test early during the first week of this half term so they will be helping set the end of year standard. Y6 SATs are during this week. Staff and children have worked really hard to prepare for these tests and we have had excellent support from parents too. We are all in the dark as to how many questions they will have to get right to meet the standard but teachers are also finalising their teacher assessments to go along side this. We will find out on May 20<sup>th</sup> if we are to be moderated for KS1 and 2 teacher assessment and our Reception teachers are currently preparing for their moderation meeting at the end of this half term. 10 children in KS1 were not working at a level to access the reading test so were not entered and two in Y6. These children were either ARC children, children with significant SEND or recent EAL admits. Obviously this will affect our published results.

### **Staffing and budget**

We are almost in a position to set our budget with a small surplus, however, we have recently been informed that the supported places funding which pays for 10 places in our childcare is to be significantly reduced. I have expressed my concern about this as we were not told until the end of March that this was happening and only told on Thursday of the amount, which is substantial. This could affect our staffing plans. We will be discussing this in this week's finance meeting and I am awaiting a reply from officers at the LA. Our SLAs (Service Level Agreements) and budgets for resources are largely in line with previous years.

Our Foundation Stage Leader Jane Irwin will be retiring at the end of term and we will be replacing her internally. We are also recruiting a TLR for English internally too. We will be having an additional class in KS2 next year but we will be using our additional teacher to fill this vacancy.

## Premises

Work will take place on our Early Years kitchen over the summer holidays to ensure it can function as a full working kitchen as meals will need to be prepared there from September due to the increase in children.

## Curriculum

Next week in school is enterprise week and we will be having a range of visitors coming in to talk to the children about the world of work, business and enterprise as well as a range of activities. The week will end with our annual enterprise fair. We are also taking part in the virgin money make five pound grow project.

Year groups are continuing to work with Artists around our whole school theme of Newcastle. And year groups have been performing their class assemblies for their parents to show what they have been learning. End of year trips are being planned and Y6 are off to Lockerbie Manor and Lightwater Valley as a reward for all their hard work. We are also planning our outdoor and adventurous activities at Whickham Thorns to ensure this part of the PE curriculum is delivered in an engaging way.

## Monitoring and assessment

Lesson observations are taking place this half term as well as work scrutiny of more able and SEND pupils to ensure our judgements are correct. Year groups with their partners across the Trust are also moderating reading judgements.

**SEF/SIP & data:** All priorities are being actioned, all SEF judgements remain outstanding

### Current data:

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	R	W	M
Y1	74%	74%	80%
Y2	69%	70%	74%
Y3	75%	78%	70%
Y4	72%	75%	78%
Y5	78%	72%	88%
Y6	87%	87%	94%

Potential for Good Level of Development 78%

**Trust Update** – see reviewed Business Plan