**Headteacher’s report to Governors May 2017**

**May 2017 figures:**

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|  | **Sept 2015** | **Sept 2016** | **May 2017** |
| **Whole school** | **386** | **437** | **461 (incl 88 in 0-3)** |
| **Pupil Premium** | **184** | **184** | **210 (56.3% N-Y6)** |
| **Free School Meals** | **132** | **149** | **166 (44.5% N-Y6)** |
| **SEN** | **76** | **90** | **110 (29.5% N-Y6)** |
| **English as an Additional Language** | **117** | **151** | **164 (44% N-Y6)** |
| **More Able** | **78** | **86** | **86** |
| **Looked After Children** | **5** | **3** | **1** |
| **Child Protection Plans** | **18** | **5** | **7** |
| **Child in Need/social care involvement** | **4** | **16** | **7** |
| **CAF/ Early help Plan** | **9** | **2** | **8** |
| **Operation encompass** |  |  | **3** |
| **Referrals to Social Care(since July)** | **2** | **6** | **5 (8 children)** |
| **Causes for concern** |  | **78** | **89** |
| **Complaints/concerns this year** |  |  | **3 (billing, meals & car park – all been addressed)** |

The figures above show how the school has continued to grow. Some year groups are full now while others still have spaces. We are now 98% full in the 0-3, Y4 still has the most space.

**Curriculum:** This week is Enterprise week across the Trust and every school is working in an enterprising way. The middle leaders have worked with me on organising the week and we have a range of events, visits and visitors arranged which will widen the children’s knowledge of the world of work. The week has a STEAM focus 0 Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths focus. Funding has enabled a ‘futures conference’ at the Discovery Museum for Y6 where the children will learn about a range of occupations and Y5 are all visiting Open lab.

We have been offered the opportunity to be involved in the second phase of the ‘In Harmony project’. It would involve all of our Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 children in the first year and then move into Y3 the following year. We would receive considerable funding in the first year but would have to contribute some funding in the second year. We are continuing discussions with the Sage Gateshead and consulting staff and would love to hear what Governors views are at the meeting.

**Continuing Professional Development**

This half term staff have attended the Early Years and SEND Conferences; RWInc training has continued; all staff have had additional Autism training; some staff have had more maths reasoning training; and we have been working with our ‘Tracking for Success’ coach.

**Staffing**: We have one member of staff on maternity leave, she will return two weeks before the summer holiday and has requested to work 3 days per week which we have been able to enable, she will cover PPA time. A member of the support staff returned following a long period of absence due to bereavement and one teacher remains on unpaid leave. We are currently advertising for an NQT for our additional Y5 class next year. We have had two PGCE teaching students with us this year but unfortunately we had to end the placement of one as her practice was inadequate.

**Premises**: A new fence has been put up to separate our wildlife area and additional car park. This will now allow us to open the car park at home time for parents and on days we are hosting events. We also met with Cheryl Ford from the LA who is working with us on our congestion issues. There is some money to help us with this too.

**Questionnaires: Governors supported with the collection of views and looking at the responses. Staff questionnaires –** 37 questionnaires returned with 35-37 positively agreeing or strongly agreeing with the statements. 12 comments were added (see report. I spoke with each member of staff who made a comment to clarify their views and issues will be addressed through staff meetings.

**Pupil questionnaires** – 214 questionnaires completed (Y1-Y6 – see report) 192 -213 responses were positive to the statements. Issues raised will be addressed through assembly, our PSHE curriculum and school council.

**Parent questionnaires** – 157 questionnaires completed 146-157 positive responses (see report), homework and bullying were the two areas where there were negative comments. Results will be shared with parents on our newsletter and website and links to our homework and antibullying policies.

Health Survey results will be tabled at the meeting.

**Data**: see data report

**SEF/SIP** : see summary report

**Budget**: Set budget with a £32,000 contingency but will need it to set next year’s budget which currently is showing a potential £45,000 deficit. We have been successful in securing £15,000 for holiday hunger, this was achieved through working with officers from the Local Authority and health.

**Trust Update**: We have reviewed our Business Plan and have actioned most things although a lot will continue into next year. We have also started to set priorities for next year. Two Heads will be retiring in our Trust at the end of the Summer Term. It is likely temporary arrangements will be put in place until substantive Heads can be appointed. We are also working with the LA to agree a sector led School Improvement Strategy to run from September.