

## DEANSBROOK INFANT SCHOOL

### COMMITTEE: Pupils, Parents & Community

**Date: 07/02/2025**

**Committee members:** Nikki Simon (Chair) (Co-opted Governor); Ryan Hannan (Secretary) (Parent Governor); Carole Catley (Headteacher); Nick Mailer (Co-opted Governor); John Parnaby (Staff Governor); Penka Georgieva Mihov (Parent Governor); Ben Amoah (Parent Governor); Judith Suissa (Co-opted Governor)  
**Present:** CC, RH, NM, JP, PG, BA, JS **Apologies:** NS **Minutes:** RH

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action	By whom	Deadline
<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>	NS		
<b>MINUTES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes agreed</li> </ul>		
<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outstanding action Safeguarding Audit – RH , CC</li> <li>• PG reported on the fundraising drive inside her company. Transfers with reference number – PG requested regular balance update. Her IT dep might be able to donate 15 laptops. Thanks to Penka for all her help here.</li> <li>• Update on Website – new Wellbeing section is upload</li> <li>•</li> </ul>		
<b>Pupil admissions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 217 across school</li> <li>44 in nursery</li> <li>• 59 reception</li> <li>• 58 year 1</li> <li>• 56 year 2</li> <li>• 52 pupil premium(no big changes for DIF, high for the borough)</li> <li>• 44 First choice for reception 13 second choice for Sep 2025 – only 2 eligible nursery sts not coming to reception.</li> <li>• Still changing, new st started today. No children waiting for spaces.</li> </ul>		

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<p><b>SEN PROVISION UPDATE</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last week was wellbeing week.</li> <li>• 26 SEN support (not EHCP),</li> <li>• 7 EHCP</li> <li>• 2 nursery have senif funding –</li> <li>• 2 reception with exceptional circumstances – need to see professionals etc. Waiting list is 8 months, so 11 total sts requiring EHCP. Slightly high percentage of EHCP</li> <li>• SEN 12% but national level is 14%</li> <li>• Mostly S&amp;L or Autism, but there are students on spectrum who can still access curriculum and not included in the numbers</li> <li>• NM asked about how the idea of taking a walk for self-regulation is perc</li> </ul>		
<p><b>ATTENDANCE</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 91.4%</li> <li>• JS – is this winter related? CC explained the changes in the year and year group.</li> <li>• OFSTED is happy with what we are doing to mitigate. PG asked about soft starts. CC intends to re- introduce soft starts in September</li> </ul>		
<p>Policies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New information regarding SEALS. JS asked about the Filtering and Monitoring in the safeguarding website – CC explained , went to SENSO training. IT company is responsible for filtering, but done to DSL.</li> <li>• JS asked about procedures for “Missing from school” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lengthy discussions about online safety and cyberbullying and devices.</li> <li>• JS asked about exclusions and suspensions (Behaviour policy) – CC explained the need to get message to parents or even to Barnet.</li> <li>• PG – do we check reasons behind behaviour issues – CC explains what the SENCO looks at relating to the behaviour and how the borough supports the school in looking into the cases.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>SEND - Approved  SG - Approved  Mental Health – Approved  Behaviour – Approved  SEND information - Approved</p>		

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<p><b>SAFEGUARDING</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Child Protection</li> <li>• 2 Child in need</li> </ul> <p>2 Open cases (referral to MASH related to disclosure) BA asked about support. Ts are aware – there is emotional support for sts</p>		
<p><b>School Council</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be yourself, Rainbow breathing, yoga, colourful clothes = wearing favourite colourful clothes to represent themselves. Discussed how often to do dancing</li> </ul> <p>Next term – council will decide on what to change in the school.</p>		
<p><b>Friends of Deansbrook (PTA)</b></p>	<p>No events since Christmas. All Christmas events were good and raised 500, with photos 300. Easter/Spring Cake. School fair, July 5<sup>th</sup>. Still very small PTA – how can we engage the parents? Flyers to parents? Sent out letters to parent governors – who can we engage to join us? Send out hard copies.</p> <p>Action: Parent governors to give a testimonial to CC by Thursday</p>		
<p><b>Parent workshops</b></p>	<p>Year 2 Comprehension Workshop – might do a catchup for parents that missed. FB has been good from parents. CC discussed Impact workshops and how DIF has set up their own workshops for parents and the packs for parents to practise.</p>		
<p><b>WEBSITE</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Checked and updated</li> </ul>		
<p><b>PROMOTIONS</b> <b>Promoting the school in the community</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lettings – Ramadan group is back this year, Drama group will start, Karate and parties.</li> </ul>		

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<b>AOB</b>	<p>Lettings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CC to follow up social services for GB to support putting pressure to support family post accident.</li> <li>• March 3 week – Link governor meetings. JS reminded CC to have the lesson plans for the link lesson learning walk.</li> </ul>		
<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>	5/6/25		

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