

Minutes of the School Improvement group (SIG)

4th November 2015 at 4pm

<p>Foundation Governors; Dr. D. Swiers (Chairman), Mrs. E. Siddall, Mrs. M. Baines, Mr. M. O’Keeffe Head Teacher Mr. M. Taylor, Teacher Governor; Mr. G. Welch By Invitation; Mr. P. Griffin Deputy Head Teacher Apologies Senior LA Lead Advisor Ms. A. Bramley, Mrs. M. Harriott (Vice Chair), Fr. W. Massie, Mrs. L. Jeffreys Clerk: Mrs. S. Brown</p>	
11/15	Opening Prayer was led by Mr. Taylor
12/15	Apologies for absence. Governors accepted the apologies for absence
13/15	Confidential agenda items. No confidential items
14/15	Minutes of the last meeting 30th September 2015. Governors accepted the minutes as a true record
15/15	<p>Matters arising.</p> <p>RE Curriculum (FGB 59/15) The Head informed Governors that the Head of RE received an email from the Diocese clarifying there was no requirement to use a particular exam body as long as there was 50% Catholic content.</p> <p>SIG 7/15 A Governor questioned whether the RE department had linked up with Ursuline school to share resources as previously offered and the Deputy Head confirmed there was contact through email with Ursuline school but they do use a different exam board (Welsh).</p>
16/15	<p>Multi Academy Trust (MAT)</p> <p>The Head reported no updates. Some of the feeder primary schools Heads had met with other MAT primaries and the feedback was negative and it caused a lot of work for little improvement or gain. It was agreed to continue to liaise with the Catholic feeder schools</p>
17/15	Consider and approve the school budget Governors approved the school budget
18/15	Report of Financial Benchmarking- not received. Report will be discussed at the FGB meeting in January 2016
19/15	Review the Financial forecast. After discussion, Governors approved the revised school budget
20/15	Catholic Ethos The Advent Liturgy will be held at St Peter’s Church on Wednesday 9th December and governors are invited to happy to attend
21/15	Attainment. This will be discussed at the next meeting as Raise on Line has yet to be published.
	<p>Staffing and Resources. Governors discussed the new measures regarding studying the English Baccalaureate (EBacc). The pending retirement of two key senior members of staff and the need to plan ahead was also discussed.</p> <p>Governors agreed that ES, DS, MO and MB would meet with senior leaders and agree a new strategy for the school. This meeting will replace the next SIG</p>
22/15	Behaviour and Safety and Exclusion. One Y10 boy had received a 2 day exclusion
23/15	Attendance data Attendance stands at 96.1%

24/15	<p>Admissions Primary to Secondary school transfer applications for 2016 are very healthy. So far 242 parents have expressed a preference for St Augustine's school.</p> <p>Appeals 6/15. The result of the in- year appeal analysis showed that the only successful applicants are those children who are baptized Roman Catholic or Christian. Very few appeals are upheld as it is clear to appeal a panels that the school has reached PAN for all years.</p>
25/15	<p>Internal Moderation Policy. Governors agreed the internal moderation policy</p>
	<p>Date of the next meeting SIG 13th January 2016 FGB 19th January 2016</p>