

## Oct 2015 Summary of Minutes:

### **Governing Body**

The GB were given a **presentation by the Head Teacher** covering the vision for the year and for the school: This year's **School Development Plan (SDP)** covers:

- Values and Citizenship
- Computing
- Reading
- Science

There will be link governors for each SPD area. Governors felt that the school should do more to publicise the school's high attainment as many parents/carers may not be aware.

A discussion was held about Coleridge becoming a **teaching (training) school**.

The GB agreed in this changing political/educational climate that the Resources committee would become the working group for looking at the implications of academy status.

GB approved and adopted a number of policies, regulations and schemes of delegation for the year.

The GB also heard an update on **SEND and child protection**; the school held autism training on Sept 24th and the NSPCC visited the school to run assemblies.

The school plans to go ahead with the schools **halls project** this summer.

### **Resources Committee**

- The RC reviewed terms of reference, policies and scheme of delegation for circulation to full GB and priorities for the year as well as discussions around financial robustness.
- Budget update was presented by School Business Manager and RC discussed school meals income and expenditure and debt management. Nina Grimes has been consulting with Ashlyn's (school's caterer) and a group of children to improve school meals. New menu will be in place after half-term.
- The school had a very successful audit (which Governors approved) with a few minor areas to look into. The School was given a Substantial level of assurance. Business Manager currently looking at feasibility of whether the school could go "cashless".

### **Child & Community Committee**

- Ben Strange presented to the Committee the School's plan for Science development with a back to basics approach.
- Leon discussed his ideas with the Committee about striving to be an "emotionally intelligent" school community. Also looking at the "Growth Mindset" concept.
- New website slightly delayed. Hope to be live after half-term.

### **Environment Committee**

- Agreed works for classroom ventilation were completed over the summer. Remote access has been set up to monitor any issues remotely.
- New lighting in West corridors and library on East to be installed at half term.
- Harrington scheme were chosen to carry out grounds maintenance. Initial work completed.

- Improved access for Nursery children via Waverley road agreed. Work to begin.
- Committee approved crucial repairs to frontage of East main building.
- Discussed potential let and improvements to Boffey House.
- Timetable to be drawn up for Halls project.