Governors' Open Morning Report

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Introduction

Every year, St Luke's C.E. School holds a Governors' Open Morning and during the time in the school governors visit every classroom.

We spend the morning talking to staff and the children about their work and looking at some of the children's work they were doing at the time. We also take the opportunity to look at some of their books and admire the high calibre of work we see.

During this visit, without exception all the children were fully engaged, enjoying their lessons and were extremely polite.

The Governors had a most enjoyable morning and would like to thank all the staff and children for welcoming them into their classrooms.











Governor Report 1

All in all, another lovely morning. Children in all classes were polite, happy to see visitors and show their knowledge. Transitions were handled well and support staff were all very efficient and classes ran smoothly and at a good pace. Thanks all.

Governor Report 2

Children were extremely well behaved and really engaged in their learning in every single class. Activities were made fun and interesting. On multiple occasions, less confident children were gently encouraged to participate. Children were overall very keen to share their learning and interact with me. SEN children appeared to be well helped and accommodated to support their learning and their classmates. Teachers were **all** calm and responsive to children – it was a pleasure to observe.

Governor Report 3

Such a lovely morning, visited all year groups across many subjects. Curriculum teachers were very clear with their instructions to the class, pausing and checking that everyone understands the instructions. The class environment is great, teachers use different styles in teaching with children in movement and stretching. The class sound system is fantastic in all angles of the class. The children are all very well behaved, listen very well and are eager to learn.

Governor Report 4

Thank you very much to all the children and staff for taking the time to welcome me this morning. It is lovely to see the school in action and the wonderful things the children are able to take part in to help their learning. Some highlights included the WWII workshop that Year 6 children took part in, what a great opportunity, it was lovely to observe children learning the techniques of rugby, the nursery children sitting so beautifully for their snack and story and reception children enjoying their outside space. I was thrilled to hear that the nursery garden has been such a success. They are looking forward to the delivery of their new equipment.

Governor Report 5

A very happy morning! The warmth and attention to children's learning demonstrated by all staff are exceptional. The ethos of community, kindness and positivity shines through in all the areas observed. The lesson in worship exemplified this through its message of communication and tolerance. I was impressed with the patience, good humour and detailed support shown by staff in supporting learning. The children are obviously happy and feel secure at school. Discipline is good, minor incidents are dealt with sensitively. Keep doing what you are all doing!

Additional Comments

- Prosody Reading - children read well and enthusiastically in pairs. Happy to discuss text and engaged in the activity. Great reading with expression, good to see the children taking turns and getting on with the activity independently in their pairs.
- Latin – children listened carefully and engaged very well in some challenging tasks. Everyone encouraged to participate without fear of making a mistake. Love the Latin! Children happy to give the pronunciation a go! Excellent lesson.
- Transitioning from PE to spelling – the teacher brought warmth and calm to a busy time in the classroom. Clever and fun spelling shape task engaged all children.
- Reception children happily showed the phoneme they had been learning, were confident and eager to draw it on the board and show what they were playing with.
- Worship – a grounding and lovely point in the morning. Wonderful behaviour from children.
- Workshop in the hall – great questioning from Year 6 children, very engaging and informative.
- Nursery fruit time – children sat in a lovely circle, sharing thoughts of their fruit! Lovely to see children saying please and thank you to children offering fruit.
- Computing – excellent behaviour, children all very engaged in carpet discussion, then practical activity taking photos in landscape and portrait. Children told me how much fun this topic was.
- Year 1 reading groups – children showed independent learning whilst the teacher engaged in reading groups.
- Maths – So interesting to see the teaching of maths. What seems to be a simple adding problem is broken down, using mathematical language to explain, giving a real foundation to build on future problem solving. Children involved throughout in explaining, using the language to really understand the problem.
- Lovely to see Reception children immersed in activities. Lots of discussion with a child who understood why we wear poppies. Children playing schools and wanting to be the teacher! Very happy class!!