



School Development Plan Priority and Focus of Visit

3.1 The teachers standards are being met

3.2 Teachers and other staff have consistently high expectations of what each pupil can achieve

- Focus to be on the monitoring systems in place for the 7 strands of excellence

Visit time, date and Governor name:

14th January 2016

Staff name:

Rebecca Norton

Observations and Discussions – including any evidence of British Values

Head delivered a training session to all governors on how the 7 strands of excellence are being used to monitor the quality of book scrutiny in the classrooms. There were a number of interesting aspects that were all evidenced and showed good practice:

- The 7 strands of excellence are
 - Strand 1: Marking and Feedback
 - Strand 2: Presentation
 - Strand 3: Lesson Design
 - Strand 4 High Expectations and Challenge
 - Strand 5: Differentiation
 - Strand 6: Progress
 - Strand 7: Appropriate Praise
- Each strand has grade descriptors that have been taken from the Ofsted inspection handbook.
- Staff have been using these strand grade descriptors to moderate and review their levels in each of the areas.
- These moderation sessions have been undertaken by all of the staff together, this has allowed support and challenge to take place within the staff. For example, if a teacher can highlight all of the outstanding outcomes, the other staff are questioning how and are sharing this good practice.
- The grade descriptors have been highlighted for the autumn term. It will be reviewed again in the Spring term and highlighted in different colours. This will allow progress to be clear for staff, SLT and governors.

Summary to be entered on Governor Monitoring Plan:

The 7 strands of excellence are fully embedded into the monitoring of teaching and learning. The system promotes the sharing of best practice and allows SLT and governors to clearly see progress and achievement.

Further Action Required:

Conduct further visits to see the 7 strands of excellence in action

Impact of Governance:

Governor involvement in monitoring the 7 strands of excellence provides strength and rigour to the schools leadership team.

Date and time of next visit:

Governor signature:

Date:

Staff signature: