

## **Governor School Visits Record Sheet**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Jo Brown</b>
<b>Date of Visit</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> January 2015</b>
<b>Focus of Visit</b>	<b>Reading Review Update</b>
<b>Classes/Staff Visited</b>	<b>Mrs Bastin/Miss Wall</b>
<b>Summary of Activities</b>	
<p><b>I attended a meeting with Mrs Bastin and Miss Wall to review the progress on the Reading Action plan.</b></p> <p><b>We looked at the whole school progress for the Autumn term which showed that there was, 'above expected progress' in reading for every year except year 2. Discussed the reasons for this and the need to monitor to see if they continue to make less progress than the rest of the school.</b></p> <p><b>Reviewed the action plan which was colour coded to show which areas still needed work and which had already been completed. Parent information meetings, the reorganization of the library and setting children up to be able to choose their own books had all been achieved with a plan to repeat the parents information evenings to try and reach more parents. Parents of children who may appear to have lost some of their enthusiasm in the their reading will be specifically invited to these information talks at parents evenings so they can be given guidance in how to help reignite a love of reading in their children.</b></p> <p><b>In terms of developing the whole school reading ethos teachers have received a training day on the subject, more library resources have been purchased and a reading area has been created in each classroom.</b></p> <p><b>Strategies to improve the quality of teaching and develop the children's skills in explaining and commenting on the writer's choice of language are to be tackled before the end of the spring term.</b></p> <p><b>The evaluation of all strategies was ongoing and Mrs Bastin has written a narrative of the changes made so far so that the information in regards to this area is clearly documented.</b></p> <p><b>I also visited each classroom to have a look at how each teacher had chosen to represent reading in the classroom and what style of reading area they had developed.</b></p>	
<b>Positive Comments About the Visit</b>	

**It is clear that making changes to the school's reading strategy is still a top priority for the school and much focus has been put on improving the ethos and the resources in this area. The work still to do is clearly documented and there is a clear plan for when and how it will be completed.**

**Questions that I have**

**No particular questions on this occasion.**

**Ideas for future visits**

**To meet again to continue to monitor progress on the action plan. To attend an informal meeting with parents to canvass their views on the changes to reading at the school.**

**Any other comments**

**N/A**

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**Governor Signature**

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**Headteacher Signature**