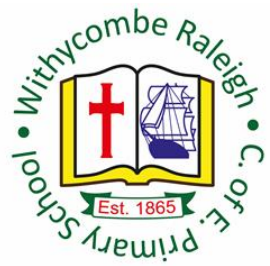


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Full Governing Body Meeting Minutes

Date/Time	29 th April 2026	Location		Meeting Room			
Attendees		Attendees		Attendees		Attendees	
Emma Jones (EJ)	Head	Janine Meecham (JM)	Clerk	Allie Longhorn	Chair	James Dryden (JD)	
Phillip Wilson (PW)		Jenny Meredith (JMer)		Clare Hollingsworth (CH)		Natalija Williams (NW)	
Richard Moore (RM)		Mike Smith (MS)		Nicola Hart (NH)			

Apologies

Annmaree Kain	Revd Judy Day
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	Agenda		
42.25.26	Apologies	50.25.26	Christian Distinctiveness
43.25.26	Declarations of Interest	51.25.26	Date and time of next meeting
44.25.26	Approve minutes		
45.25.26	Matters Arising		
46.25.26	Correspondence		
47.25.26	Headteacher Written Report		
48.25.26	Budget 26/27		
49.25.26	Safeguarding		

Ref	Item	Action/Decision	By whom
42.25.26	Apologies: Apologies were received as above and duly sanctioned.		
43.25.26	Declarations of interest None		
44.25.26	Minutes: The minutes from the FGB meeting on 3 rd February 2026 were agreed as an accurate record	Decision	All
45.25.26	Matters Arising: None		
46.25.26	Correspondence: AL – advised Governors that Anna Slade has requested to return to the Governing body. All Governors agreed and voted Anna Slade in.	Decision	All



47.25.26	Headteacher written report and EJ discussed with the Governors the Written Report. Full report uploaded to the drive. The Spring Term was exceptionally busy with lots of events and activities going on. Our weekly newsletter celebrates all the exciting opportunities our children experience during their time at school, and all of these can be found on our website. We have had an Anglo Saxon Day and WW2 Day. Exmoor Zoo has visited Y1 bringing lots of interesting animals, including a meerkat, for the children to meet. EYFS had an immersive experience in the Explorer Dome learning all about Winter. Y2 enjoyed an Art Day using clay with Potty Joy. Some children have visited Beach School and Ethos Council visited the Recycling Centre in Exeter. Lots more exciting events planned for the summer of course. Louise Jones and I have been working behind the scenes with the MHST to look at ways in which we can improve staff wellbeing. We have looked at the responses from surveys as well as sought advice from other professionals and other schools. Louise has shared some great opportunities via SAS that are free of charge and available for all staff. We are excited that the MHST will deliver a course for all staff on Monday 18th May 3:30-5pm. This course is aimed at enabling staff to explore stress, stress management approaches and practical strategies to manage their own wellbeing and stress levels. Whole School monitoring has been ongoing with a focus on Means of Participation, Writing and OAIP (Ordinarily Available Inclusive Provision) . We have investigated some online programmes to support us with our monitoring as we are keen to develop our coaching offer for staff. Suspensions have reduced over the Spring Term. Partly due to some staffing changes and partly due to the children feeling more secure. We are developing a Suspension Protocol for SLT to follow to ensure that process is consistent each time. Development of the Curriculum continues with a focus last term on History, Geography, Music and RSHE. Other schemes trialled/being trialled as a comparison to the ones we currently use. Staff Meeting on 30th March shared updates including expected lesson structure and Withycombe Way.		
48.25.26	Budget 26/27 NH discussed the 26/27 budget with Governors. All Governors Approved budget	Decision	All



49.25.26	Safeguarding: MS discussed with the governors Safeguarding (full report on Drive) Safeguarding updates • TES Develop training further embedded / broadened inc Prevent • Completion of TAs training (therapeutic activities) – evident in the school • OPAL Play – weather was terribly wet, but we largely managed to have children outside. Challenge in keeping things fresh (resources) and staff who can self-solve. • Safeguarding Trends • 'Chronologies' for 6 high profile children • Collation of agencies / sources of support and oversight document for Early Help and Outside Agency involvement MS and the Governors discussed ways in which the school can help support young carers. The Governors suggested doing something with the young carers once a term.		
50.25.26	Christian Distinctiveness and SIAMS EJ discussed with Governors. We are currently reviewing our vision and values; this is something that was recommended in our last SIAMS inspection. It was advised that we revisit our values every 6 years. There is SIAMS training on the 1st June- Governors are welcome to attend. The SIAMS group are meeting each half term.		
51.25.26	Teaching and Learning 12th May SDP 9th June Resources 16th June FGB 7th July		

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Summary of Action Points

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