



Borden Church of England Primary School

Part of the UNITAS Collaboration

School Lane Borden Sittingbourne Kent ME9 8JS

Annual Statement of governance for
Borden CEP
11th July 2017

Governance continues function to according to the Circle Model, with the Full Governing Body meetings being held termly (6 in 2016-2017). Governors were allocated areas to monitor in September 2017, and visits have either been completed at agreed times during the six terms or completed on the annual Governor monitoring day held on the 16th May 2017.

During continued difficult times in respect of budgets, the school has increased the roll forward by prudent spending. Well done the school! The new external Reflection Area, funded by a specific fund raising event has been completed

A SIAMS pre-inspection was held in June 2017, the output from which will feed into the school improvement plan for the coming academic year, in which the school will receive its SIAMS.

Teachers and staff appraisal has been fully implemented across the school.

During the year, Borden has continued to be a member of the Unitas Collaboration with a positive impact on the school in respect of shared learning, improved moderation and improved outcomes for children. Once again the ends of year outcomes achieved by the children have been excellent, with good improvement across the board.

The Unitas Collaboration commenced the journey to becoming a Multi Academy Trust in December 2016, and has reached the end of the process with the Potential in Everyone Academy Trust being in place from the 1st August 2017. The current Full Governing Body will discontinue at the end of the 11th July meeting, with the Local Governing Body commencing on 27th September, guided by the Scheme of Delegation as issued by the PiEAT.

The leadership team (Chair, EHT and HoS) have instituted new refurbishments in respect of the Hall floor and replacement windows for the Hall, front of School and Maple Classroom. Work scheduled to commence in spring 2017 for the rectification of the chalk face has been delayed due to nesting birds, but work will commence during the summer holidays, with a view to being completed in September 2017.

A parent Governor has converted to a Foundation Governor during the year, releasing a place to recruit a new parent governor as from September 2017. All Governors have continued to attend training as required throughout the year.

All relevant policies have been reviewed and updated according to an agreed timetable. Safeguarding and Health and Safety have been monitored regularly (3 times a year), with a Premises Plan developed for the next three year



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Our current Head of School is retiring after 25 years of unstinting service to the school and the children who have passed through the school, and we wish her well in her future adventures. We have successfully recruited a new Head of School, joining the school at a time of change as we move to be part of the PiEAT. Our senior teacher is also leaving for new ventures, so we thank her for her input to the school and children over the years and wish her well for the future. We have been fortunate in recruiting an experienced senior teacher starting September 2017. We wish the new leadership team in the school well in the coming year and as a LGB look forward to working with them to provide the best outcomes for all the children in the school.

Helen Stewart

Chair of Governors