



Governor Visit Report

Name	June Yee
Date of Visit	3 rd May 2022
Focus of Visit	Maths
Classes/staff visited	Lynne Mearns and pupils from Year 4. Paula Caldicott and F2 children

Summary of activities e.g. observing classes, talking to staff and pupils, looking at resources, had lunch etc.

Spoke to LM about what her Year 4 pupils were currently being taught in class. She said they were focussing on times tables and looking at two different types of skills, being computer testing and knowledge testing. I was given a demonstration on how the computer questions work by 2 Year 4 pupils on TT Rockstar's. 25 questions with 6 seconds to answer each one.

I was surprised to hear that all children would be taught their times tables up to 12 because in this metric age I thought that it would only be up to 10. Year 2 children do the times table for 2, 5 and 10. Year 3 do 3, 4 and 8. Year 4 cover the remaining numbers.

I also visited PC and children in F2. They were focussing on counting down from 10 to zero. The children sit together with their key workers who go through various methods of counting down. The teachers are ably assisted by Bramwell Brown Bear, Dougie Dog, Teddy 2 and Norman the Number Bear. I looked at the resources used to help children with counting, including Dice and Dotty Grid and Dominoes.

How do you feel this visit has helped you to develop your role as a Governor?

This visit gave me a better understanding on how different parts of maths is taught and to evaluate if the methods used help develop children's understanding of maths.

Positive comments about the focus

It was lovely to see how much the children enjoyed learning. I was surprised how innovative the staff are when it comes to keeping the children enthusiastic about learning.

Aspects I would like clarified / questions I have

None.

Ideas for future visits

Any other comments

The teaching of the times tables is taught throughout the school. What I did observe is that when one of the Year 4 pupils was taking the test on TT Rockstar's there was a slight hesitation on one or two of the easier multiplications but was quite quick on what I would consider harder ones. It could be that the focus for the year is on the harder multiples and less focus is made on the earlier times tables. This is something that could be looked at.

Signed: *June Yee*

Governor: June Yee

Date: 30th May 2022

Signed:

Headteacher: S.G. Brady

Date: