

**Broadhempston Primary School
School Life Group**

Supporting the vision, values and development of our school

Thursday 25th September 2025, 3.40pm

Agenda

1. Welcome and apologies
2. Approve minutes of last meeting
3. Matters arising from previous meeting
4. Report from the Head
5. PTFA feedback
6. LAC update
7. Parent representative feedback
8. Trust and School discussion

Broadhempston School Life group – 20th May 2025 (3.40pm – 4.50pm)
Attendees: Nanya Coles (NC) (Chair), Karen Barlow (KB) (Head), Emily Clements (EYFS / KS1 teacher), Annabel White (Otter rep), Troy (Otter rep), Nick Kersop-Taylor (Kingfisher rep), Julia Kersop-Taylor (Kingfisher rep), Nick Wright (Kingfisher rep)
Apologies:
Agenda items <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Welcome and apologies<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Outline of scope of the meeting2. Approve minutes of last meeting3. Matters arising from previous meeting4. Report from the Head5. PTFA feedback6. LAC update7. Parent representative feedback<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Priorities around culture of the school (link with school values, encouraging confidence and empowerment)- Buddy system – really positive feedback been received about this- Parent run clubs / groups – process for this- School allotment- Creating a positive inclusive environment and using positive language (this might be specific incidents so not on agenda)- Updates on school uniform-8. Next meeting dates9. Trust and school<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Status of relationship building with the trust

Items not on agenda that have been raised	
Minutes 1-3	Approved minutes and no matters arising
4. Report from the Head	<p>Update on the pupil numbers</p> <p>Update on the ASIP priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Writing this has carried over - EYFS is a trust priority - OAIP – Ordinary inclusive provision - Climate Change – this is a government initiative – this will go on website soon. WOW (war on waste) work with Devon CC – eco committee - KS2 curriculum – been setting up and working through the progression. Art and DT – how to spread across the ages being reviewed. Using White Rose Maths and this has remained similar from last year <p>Update on CPD and training of the staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lots at the start of the year including KCSIE, safeguarding etc - Staff meetings across Landscope and Broadhempston - Joint writing moderation across schools – Landscope, Harbertonford and Stoke Gabriel
5. PTFA	<p>The PTFA have had their first meeting and are looking forward to a fun-filled year.</p> <p>We have confirmed dates for:</p> <p>Harry Potter Halloween Party Otter Bake Sale Autumn term Mufti Day Christmas Fair</p> <p>And put the plans for the Christmas Lunch in place.</p> <p>We have also agreed £1250 of funding support for:</p> <p>Arts Week mosaic workshop, Science Week workshop, Storytelling and Music workshop and a fund for teachers for small classroom additions plus we have circulated an Amazon Wishlist for books.</p> <p>We are waiting to hear about an additional funding of £40k grant for the new playground. If successful phase 2 would be fully funded. We will keep the school and parents updated with design and timelines as we hear more.</p> <p>We have two funding initiatives in place so far this term - the personalised Christmas cards and the reduced tickets to the panto at Torquay.</p> <p>We are concerned that the number of parents supporting the PTFA is dwindling and we would love to see more parents from Otter getting involved to secure the future of events and fundraising.</p>
LAC update	<p>Focused visit areas of focus were:</p> <p>ASIP Data and results British values</p> <p>Offer for anyone to shadow the governor board meeting.</p>
Parent feedback	<p>Allotment – this is not going to go ahead but will continue with the beds at the village hall. Discussion about increasing the size of the beds at the hall. Potential to use the space that playgroup use for equipment. Funding request for compost</p> <p>Priorities around culture of the school (link with school values for example, encouraging confidence and empowerment). This will be discussed in future meetings – add to the agenda for future</p>

	<p>Buddy system – really positive feedback been received about this and encouraging care and relationships across the school</p> <p>Parent run clubs / groups – process for this – this can be completely separate from school or would need to be with a member of staff included from the school. Some discussions with Matt Tanner around this.</p> <p>Creating a positive inclusive environment and using positive language and avoiding language from the manosphere. Problematic language being used around alpha, sigma and beta. Karen will pick up and discuss at PSHE curriculum and age appropriate ways of addressing this.</p> <p>Updates on school uniform – Polycotton, VX3, durability, washing and drying will be beneficial. Confirmation for the dates. Non-marking shoes going forwards.</p> <p>Positive feedback from parents on the effort from the school to put in the changes</p>
Trust update	<p>Matt Matthews from Trust came at the request of parents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Funding and marketing. Marketing plan in place for the school around the school- boosting via facebook and have Instagram and website has been updated. This is school led and is being supported via the trust. There is some training planned at the trust level. Feedback from schools is that reputation is very important and the plans need to be different - Three class structure would be 58 children across the school. - Funding lags a year behind so the number of roll in October is important for funding - How to bridge the gap between the homeschool and the school environment was discussed and options for inviting homeschool children into activities being run by the school / PTFA.
8. Meeting dates	To be agreed electronically
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