

Learning First Federation Update- June 2015 Created by Sarah Haydon, Co opted Governor

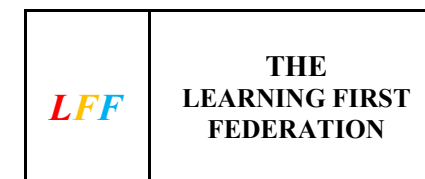
Since the formation of the Learning First Federation on 1st January 2015 there have been lots of developments. The new Governing Body want to let all parents, carers, children and friends of Knypersley and Kingsfield First Schools know what has been happening. We plan to update you regularly, but if you have any questions in the meantime, please don't hesitate to ask.

We have established the roles of Link Governors who will specialise in a particular area and meet every term with the leaders in the schools. These areas are:

Literacy
Numeracy
Science/ computing
Safeguarding
Health and Safety
Early Years Foundation Stage

We established a new Governing Body. We looked at what skills the Governors had and created two committees with clear terms of reference:

Finance, Premises and Personnel
Curriculum and Achievement



- We have started to share a lot of resources and to do more joint planning:
- There is a governor visits policy
- Nursery staff have the opportunity to work together
- Staff from both schools attend the same training sessions
- Mr Finch (the caretaker) now works across both schools
- From April 2015 Mr Howard has become Bursar over both schools
- Parents have the opportunity to attend shared training sessions
- Kingsfield are now hiring the pool at Knypersley
- Literacy and Numeracy leaders are now working closely to moderate each other's work and to create a new curriculum with shared assessment systems. We are also working with James Bateman Junior High School on this.
- Maths leaders across both schools have written a new calculation policy.

Next Steps:

- Appoint a clerical assistant at Knypersley to cover whilst Mr Howard is at Kingsfield.
- Review Leadership Structure at Knypersley First School
- Plan further shared training for parents.
- Gain agreement to begin consultation for Kingsfield First School to become a member of the Biddulph Partnership Trust.

