

Clervaux Nursery School

Annual Statement of Governors 2016-17

The Governors at Clervaux Nursery have supported the school exceptionally well throughout the year. The Governors have been a driving force in moving our school from Good to Outstanding in 2014. We have a wide range of Governors from many different backgrounds. The Governors skills are utilized well to match their strengths. The Governors work closely with the school to identify priorities and develop a cohesive plan of action. They attend regular training sessions ran by both the local authority and the school itself to ensure that they are fully up to date with any changes in legislation or initiatives.

Key issue 1 that faced the Governing Board during 2016-17

Funding

At the beginning of the new school year the government announced there was to be a new funding formula for Early Years. This could have meant that nursery schools would no longer get the allowance which enabled them to employ a head teacher, teacher and a caretaker. The nursery began the year feeling extremely vulnerable but was tasked to come up with solutions and ways forward which would help us in the future to be financially viable. The governors worked tirelessly in fighting to ensure that our Nursery School would be viable in the future. They attended the APPG in London held in the House of Westminster where Head Teachers, Governors and MP's discussed ways forward which would enable all nursery schools to be viable despite the new single funding formula. The governors supported in fun days to raise awareness and met with other nursery schools governing bodies to discuss the sharing of resources, expertise and good practice models.

Assessment of the impact 1 of the Governing Board on the school during 2016-17

The nursery School is now viable until at least 2020. The governors have begun work to future proof the school with additional ideas to create funding in the future. This has allowed all staff and governors to feel secure for the future.

Key issue 2 that faced the Governing Board during 2016-17

The 30 hour Offer

The announcement by the Government of the 30 hour for offer for all eligible families created discussions early on in the school year. We needed to look into how many children we could cater for, how the day would look, what the times would be and daily routines. We began by surveying families on our waiting list to get an idea about how many families thought they would be eligible. The head teacher attended regular training sessions which were fed back to the governors and created further discussions.

Assessment of the impact of the Governing Board on the school during 2016-17

The school is now ready for September 2017 to fully implement the 30 hour offer and be a fully flexible Nursery.

Composition of the Governing Board

- 2 parent governors
- 1 head teacher
- 1 staff governor
- 1 local authority governor
- 2 co-opted governors

Committees of the Governing Board

- Personnel Committee
- Finance & Premises Committee
- Pupil Discipline Committee
- Pay Review Committee
- Appeals Committee
- Complaints Committee
- Policy Review Committee

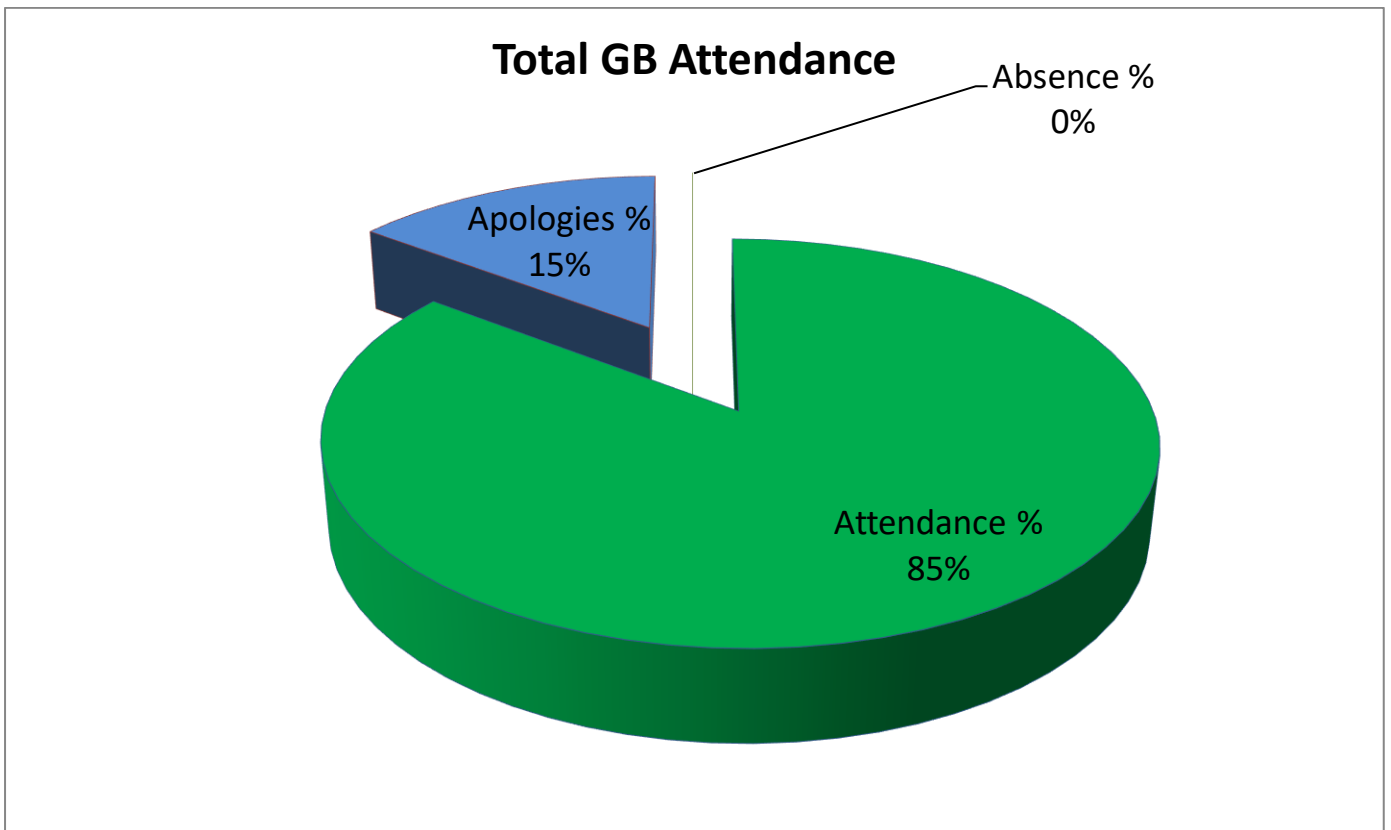
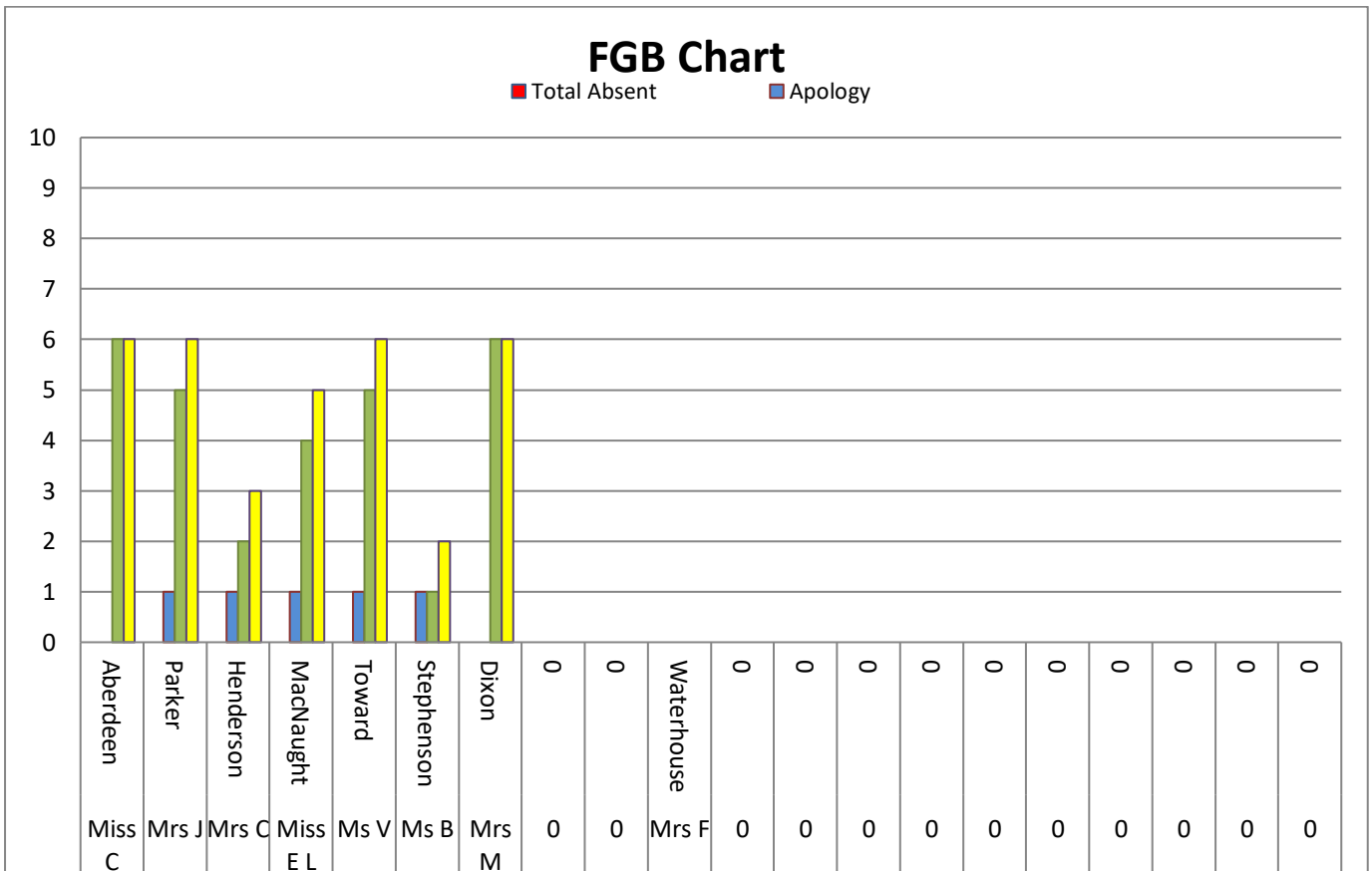
Chair of Governors

Miss Claire Aberdeen

Vice Chair of Governors

Ms Victoria Toward

Name	Category	Appointing Board	Terms of Office	Committees (if associate member has voting rights)	Official responsibility
Miss Claire Aberdeen	Co-opted	Governing Board	22-06-2016 – 21-06-2018	Personnel Committee Finance & Premises Committee Pay Review Committee Policy Review Committee	Chair of Governing Board
Vacancy	Co-opted				
Mrs Jenny Parker	Executive Head Teacher	Governing Board	01-09-2017		
Miss Emma MacNaught	Parent	Parents	27-05-2016 – 26-05-2018		
Ms Victoria Toward	Parent	Parents	27-05-2016 – 26-05-2018		Vice Chair of Governing Board
Cathryn Henderson	LEA	Local Authority	24-05-2017 – 23-05-2019		
Mrs Faye Waterhouse	Staff	Staff	16-06-2015 – 17-10-2016		
Mrs Michelle Dixon	Head Teacher	By Virtue of Position	01-01-2011-31-08-2017	Personnel Committee Finance & Premises Committee Policy Review Committee	



REGISTER OF GOVERNOR INTERESTS

CLERVAUX NURSERY SCHOOL

Name	Position	Nature of Interest	Date Interest Registered	Date Interest Ceased	Notes
Miss Claire Aberdeen	Co-opted	Partner to member of staff (care taker)	1-09-2017		Governor at Jarrow Cross Primary
Mrs Jenny Parker	Head Teacher	Head Teacher Helen Gibson Nursery	1-09-2017		
Mrs Cathryn Henderson	LEA	Senior Governor support & Admissions officer	1-09-2017		
Miss Emma MacNaught	Parent	None	1-09-2017		
Ms Victoria Toward	Parent	None	1-09-2017		

Date of Review: 01-09-2017

