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Introduction

You will see later in the bulletin that we have our first consultation meeting this week on the way forward in charging and reserves policies. This is an absolutely open consultation and, if anything, our Trustees are starting from a set of rather conservative assumptions. Yet we are all aware of the challenges ahead of us as a larger and (in terms of school size) very diverse Trust with a low base of local SEND capacity. To meet these challenges, we need to have a strong consensus for how we can exploit the potential of our scale. We hope that every school will be represented at the consultations by senior leaders, business leaders and governors. Please ensure that your school's voice is heard in the discussion.

Lastly, we have now had the final report from Ofsted for Northleaze CE Primary School. It hasn't made it onto Ofsted's own website yet but it is on the school website and you can see it here. Well done once again to Victoria and the team at Northleaze.

Gary

Carbon Reduction Lead

We are delighted to be able to inform you that Stephanie Franklin will be working with us to lead the implementation of our Carbon Reduction Plan. Stephanie works as Marketing and Sustainability Manager at Churchill Academy and Sixth Form but will be seconded to us for two days a week from September on a fixed term contract. Stephanie is also supporting us in the interim and facilitating our carbon reduction launch on 7th July. Stephanie has a wealth of experience in this area and will, I'm sure, be a huge asset to us in achieving our carbon neutral goals.

Carbon Reduction Launch Event 7th July 16.00 to 17.30pm Backwell School 6th Form

As you will know, we have recently launched our Carbon Reduction Plan with an ambition of being carbon neutral by 2035. This launch event is designed to share our ambitions and to discuss how we can start working collaboratively towards it. We are hoping that the meeting will be attended by the Headteacher (or a member of the senior leadership team), a Governor and the School Business Manager, where in post, for every school. Please could we ask you to confirm your attendees with Diane dlogan@lsp.org.uk

Resourcing our Partnership Workshops - 23rd June 10.00 to 12.00 Chew Valley School, above 6th Form (please enter the school via main reception) and 29th June 16.00 to 18.00 Gordano School, Main Hall

In the consultation on the Core Services Charge for the 2022-23 financial year, the Board of Trustees shared their plan to undertake a detailed review of the Scheme of Delegation, the Core Services Charge and the Reserves Policy. They committed to holding workshops in term 6 to clarify the issues and to identify options for consideration. We would like to encourage your participation in this discussion. The sessions are open to all, but we would particularly encourage attendance from Headteachers, School Business Managers and Chairs of Governors. Could you please confirm your attendees with Diane dlogan@lsp.org.uk

LSP Trust Board Summary

At a meeting held in person at Gordano School on 13th June 2022, the Board undertook the following actions:-

- Received and challenged reports from the CEO and CFOO.
- Received monthly management accounts.
- Noted approval of Central Team Budget (Finance Committee 31/06/22)
- Agreed recommendations from Executive for further consultation with schools regarding Partnership resourcing.
- Received reports from Finance and HR & Staffing Committees.
- Received a report on Trust high risk items.
- Approved the Trust Scheme of Delegation
- Approved Trust Board work planner for 222/23
- Approved policy delegation of operational policies to Executive team.
- Received Trustee applications.
- Approved minutes of Board meeting 31/03/22

School Leader's Meetings

Dates for the School Leader's Meetings at Nailsea Backwell Church for the academic year 2022-23 have now been finalised. Meetings will begin with breakfast refreshments 8.30am - 9am. Meeting to start at 9.00am - until 12 noon.

Term 1 - Wed 5th Oct

Term 2 - Wed 23rd Nov

Term 3 - Wed 18th Jan

Term 4 - Wed 8th Mar

Term 5 - Wed 10th May

Term 6 - Wed 14th June

Teacher Appraisal

The booklets and papers for Primary Schools have now been finalised and are published in the Communications area: Foldr\My Files\LSP Communications\HR\Appraisals. Thanks to Sharon Roberts and Gareth Beynon for their work in revising, thinning out and improving the documentation.

SCOMIS Headteacher Dashboard

SCOMIS, our SIMS Provider, have developed a dashboard that pulls the key metrics for the Termly HT report from SIMS. Heads, expect a setup email shortly from Craig Allen. The new dashboard is highly visual and should improve the clarity of HT reports to governors and reduce Head's workload.

Upcoming Events - Venue Details

Thank you so much to everyone who has confirmed their attendance at the upcoming events. There is still time to let us know if you would like to attend. Please email dlogan@lsp.org.uk

Resourcing Our Partnership

Thursday 23rd June 10am - 12 noon <u>- Please enter the school via main reception</u>
Chew Valley School - Above 6th Form
Chew Lane
Bristol
BS40 8QB

Resourcing Our Partnership

Wednesday 29th June 4pm - 6pm Gordano School - Main Hall St Mary's Road Portishead BS20 7QR

Carbon Reduction Launch

Thursday 7th July 4pm - 5.30pm Backwell School 6th Form Station Road Backwell BS48 3BX

FINANCE UPDATES

Increase in Universal Infant Free School Meals Funding

It has just been announced that the DfE has increased the funding for UIFSM from £2.34 to £2.41 per meal with effect from 1st April 2022. Full allocations will be published later this month based on October 21 and January 2022 census day meal uptake, but in the meantime, we have updated the UIFSM calculators for both 2021-22 (\My Files\School Business Managers\Trust Wide\Information for 2021-22 Budgets\UIFSM Calculator 20-21 Updated for New Rate from Apr 22.xlsx) and 2022-23 (\My Files\School Business Managers\Trust Wide\Information for 2022-23 Budgets\UIFSM Calculator 22-23.xlsx) in Foldr to help you estimate your funding allocations.

FOCUS ON GOVERNANCE

Chairs' Development Group - Monday 27th June 7.00-8.30pm - Click here to join the meeting

Safeguarding Training - Tuesday 28th June 2022, 11 a.m. - 12 noon. Browne Jacobson - Understanding the three major Changes to KCSIE 2022: Being match fit for September

To register for this webinar, please click on the link - https://brownejacobson-updates.com/18/3665/june-2022/invitation-nc.asp.

This webinar is suitable for senior leaders in education settings, including CEOs, COOs and CFOs, head teachers and principals, directors and heads of HR, designated safeguarding leads, governors and Trustees.

Exclusions Training - Watch-back and slides are available on the LSP Governance Portal <u>LSP</u> Governance - Home (sharepoint.com)

