

11-19 Headteachers' & Principals' County Strategic Meeting Minutes

Date	Tuesday 20 October 2020
Venue	via Teams
Chair	Caroline Barlow
Present	Anna Robinson, Bob Ellis, Catherine Davies, Darren Warner-Swann, Dom Downes, Doreen Cronin, Elizabeth Funge, Emily Beer, Fiona Wright, Helen Key, Hilary Morawska, Hugh Hennebry, Huxley Knox-Macaulay, Justine Mountford, Kerry Bennett, Liza Leung, Lynton Golds, Paul Swatton, Phil Matthews, Rebecca Conroy, Roy Blatchford, Sol Berhane, Sarah Speedie, Sarah Pringle, Sian Williams, Stuart Gallimore, Stuart Reeves, Theresa Phillips, Tony Smith, Vicky Norris-Wright, Vic Stevens,
Apologies	Barry Blakelock, Zak Vice, Peter Marchant, Liam Collins, Lesley Young, Sara Marshallsay, Natalie Chamberlain, Claire Findlay

Title	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Caroline welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Steve Munby for his input and presentation. ○ Headteachers provided positive feedback to Steve on his presentation and raised several questions as part of the discussion. All heads welcomed the opportunity to reflect on their leadership during a time of crisis. ○ Follow up the points raised in the chat about HSE visits and INSET days/gained time. 	EF
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Caroline thanked Fiona in her role with the LA and acknowledged all of Fiona's work in East Sussex schools. There is huge respect and warmth from heads on behalf of staff and students in East Sussex. Fiona's legacy of spirit and determination will carry on through the heads. Stuart Gallimore added his thanks to Fiona and acknowledged the support and challenge she has provided in order to make this the best place for children to go to school. Fiona thanked everyone and acknowledged the hardest of time for heads in the current situation. Fiona shared her best wishes for heads' success as they face challenges and reach 'the other side'. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Updates shared in advance of the meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Teaching School</i> ▪ <i>Schools online</i> – has got off to a good start and feedback from students has been positive. Elizabeth reminded schools to return any outstanding information and will follow up with Bill Roddick regarding any additional places available. ▪ <i>Disadvantaged project</i> – it was noted there are a valuable set of resources available on the website. ▪ <i>SPP</i> – further training due to take place on 10 November and Tony encouraged schools to sign up as it would be worth participating in the updated model. ▪ <i>Exclusions project</i> - it was noted there is a huge amount of work underway across the area groups 	EF
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Secondary Board <p>Elizabeth acknowledged Steve Munby's presentation, in particular his words on collective responsibility and recognition of the way we are working in East Sussex.</p> <p>A huge amount of work has taken place and continues in schools and issues raised by heads are being fed into various national meetings.</p> <p>Looking across the schools it appears what heads are doing is working and we are seeing this reflected in the data on Covid cases.</p> <p>It is good to have some clarity on the summer exams and we are expecting further guidance.</p> <p>External advisers will continue working with schools and Theresa Phillips was welcomed to the team.</p> <p>Through the Board we have put together an overview of the work that has taken place and we will look to share the school to school information through the area groups.</p> <p>Roy acknowledged work of heads and added his thoughts.</p> <p>Caroline closed to say it is recognised the importance of the work within area groups and of our joint working.</p> <p>Caroline thanked everyone for giving their time this morning which allowed some space and time for reflection.</p> 	