**Christian Distinctiveness Meeting, 28th September 2022**

**Attending:** Karen Winterburn (Headteacher), Katherine Bloomer (church link), Rev Richard Priest (Foundation Governor),

**Apologies:** Tom Stables (Foundation Governor), Huw Solly (Foundation Governor)

Copy to: Ed Shire (Chair), James Osler (Head of School)

RP opened in prayer.

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| **Minutes from****11th July 2022** | ***Back to School Service + BBQ –*** was well attended and much appreciated. Thanks to the PTA support and Karen for washing up!***Blessing the Outdoor Area*** – once complete, school to liaise with Katherine.***Wild Church in School (NWMA)*** – Katherine has put the school in contact with Jessy Price, Youth Mission Enabler. The school needs to contact her to agree dates and whether it is Wild Church in School (KS2) or leading some collective worships that would be most beneficial.***Website Update*** – James is taking the lead on this. As this is key for the SIAMS inspection an update for the next meeting would be appreciated. | **KW****JO****JO** |
| **Upcoming Events** | ***Harvest*** – Monday 3rd October, 9.10am in church. Katherine will take food gifts onto Doorway.***Remembrance*** – Richard to agree with school.***Advent Experience*** – agreed Tuesday 29th November (3 sessions – not for Reception) in church. Katherine to find volunteers.***Christmas Service*** – Monday 12th December, 9.10am ***Switch Off Fortnight*** – w/c 21st November. It would be good to share this in the village magazine and encourage the church and village to be involved. Richard to share with Fiona, the church Eco rep. | **RP/KW****KB****JO/RP** |
| **SIAMS** | ***Webinar*** – Karen had shared details of the webinar on 3rd November. Katherine has signed up. Good to keep up to date.***SEF*** – the larger document has been shared with staff. Karen needs to precis int the document for the inspection by the end of this term. | **KW** |
| **Church/School links** | ***Draycot update*** – Rev Suzanne Grindrod’s licensing service is on 8th December. School have kindly agreed to offer robing space for clergy. She will be part time – 4 days a week.***Partnership award*** – both the PCC and staff have been invited to review and make suggestions of next steps.***Pilgrim Trail*** – Deanery Synod is on 27/9 and Katherine will feedback more details following that meeting.***Village Magazine*** – historically the school has provided a one page article each month (deadline c. 20th each month) to nurture the links with Kington Langley. With Liz’s retirement this has been passed to James. (Katherine and James had a chat after the meeting on how to progress) | **KW/RP****KB****JO** |
| **Collective Worship** | Evaluation and feedback needs to be recommenced for the new school year – and the book on the Worship table kept up to date, please. | **JO** |
| **Worship Council/Pupil Voice** | ***New Worship Council –*** meeting on 5th October, 2pm***Ideas for 2022/23 –*** will be pupil led but may include***:*** creating an Easter Trail for Early Years/KS1; Church trail with NWMA Pilgrim Trail; developing spirituality ideas; progressing the Outdoor Reflection Area. Karen is putting a bid into the Scarecrow Committee (Deadline 31st Oct) | **KB****KW** |
| **Spirituality** | Monday 17th October booked 9-3 for all staff, unfortunately Laura Harris is not available so Katherine will work with Karen to plan and run the day. | **KB/KW** |
| **Environment** | Katherine thanked the school for inviting her to take part in the art project – everyone has made peg dolls. Over the next few weeks a new display will be up in the hall. The timeline will go up in the library/foyer are. There will be a Values tree in the Foyer. The Worship Council noticeboard will be moved in the hall – to include values info. |  |
| **RE** | Katherine will come in once a term for values story telling with Early Years – starts 28th September. She has also provided some more Muddy Church resources. Katherine has put Helen in contact with Becky Fisher – it is for the school to agree dates for Godly Play sessions.Laura Harris had highlighted the topics of the Eucharist and Trinity. Trinity Sunday is 4th June in 2023. Katherine has a Collective Worship using the Rublev icon which works well for all ages.It was agreed that a plan for the liturgical year would be helpful – Katherine includes in the worship resources each term, but to have a full calendar might be helpful. St Peter’s Feast Day is 29th June.  | **KB****HR** |
| **AOB** | Karen is currently in Langley on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.It was noted that it has been a tricky start to the new year with significant problems with catering, which takes up a lot of time in negotiating and parent responses.New staff are settling in, and a new way of working with ore part time staff.The parking area work is going ahead over half term – it is hoped this will ease the congestion a little, improve road safety and the relationship with villagers. |  |
| **Date of next meeting** | Tuesday 22nd November 1pm in schoolTo include a Learning Walk |  |