BOUNDS GREEN SCHOOL
MINUTES OF THE FULL GOVERNING BODY MEETING
HELD ON 24 MARCH 2026 AT 6PM

Staff (2)
Nadine Lewis (Headteacher)
Tom Smith 30-04-27

Parent (2)
David Rees 16-11-27
Laura Williams 17-07-

LA (1)
Vacant position

Also present
Helen Chrysafi-Bartrip (DHT)
Liz Luka (AHT)
Marcus Read (AHT)
Faye Papini (SBM)
Jess King (AHT)
Corinne David (Clerk)

Co-opted (10)
Anne Keleghan 25-05-29
Andrew Gordon 31-07-26
Toby Nation 22-09-29 (Chair)
Jayne Cookson 08-11-27 [joined at 6:40pm]
Tracey Burton 26-05-25
Eleanor Kaye 05.11.29
*Ismini Theodosiou 24-05-27
Vacancy

*Denotes absence

1. WELCOME /INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
1.2 Apologies for absence were received and noted from Ismini Theodosiou
1.3 The Clerk confirmed that the meeting was quorate.

2 LANZAROTE TRIP

2.1 Sylvia Laguna provided the GB with an overview of the recent Year 5 trip to Lanzarote. The school applied for and received a grant for a fully funded overseas educational trip to Lanzarote from 9 to 13 March 2026. Thirty, Year 5 children attended the trip, many from disadvantaged back ground. The school partnered another school from Lanzarote as part of a wider international partnership. The trip was rigorously planned, with a risk assessment trip undertaken in February.

2.2 Before the trip, introduction videos and Christmas cards were shared between the children at each school, so when the children met in person there was a sense of familiarity. During the trip the children learnt about volcanos and visited Timanfaya National Park; had Art lessons and visited Manrique house museum. The trips reinforced the learning and allowed the learning to come to life. There were significant opportunities for the children to use their Spanish learning.

2.3 There were three clear learning objectives:

- Language Development
- Cultural Capital
- Personal Development

2.4 The trip ran smoothly and was a great success. The children showed significant emotional resilience. Those children that went on the trip shared their learning with the rest of the school through the sharing of work and assembly participation. There has been a lasting positive impact for the school community.

2.5 The results of the trip are being built into the Spanish Action Plan. The school will continue to develop the partnership with Lanzarote school and raising cultural understanding across the school community. The school will be looking to build upon this experience with the potential to run a similar trip again in the future.
2.6 Governors had been provided all the information on Governor Hub.

At 6:20pm, the Chair on behalf of the GB thanked Sylvia Laguna for her presentation and invited her to leave the meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, PECUNIARY INTEREST OR OTHERWISE IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

3.1 Register of Interests Forms & Code of conduct
The Clerk reminded governors who have not yet done were required to complete the annual Register of Interest forms and code of conduct for 2025/26.

3.2 There were no declarations of interest in respect of the agenda items.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE GOVERNING BODY AND COMMITTEES AND LINK GOVERNORS

4.1 The Clerk confirmed that there were 3 Co-opted Governor vacancies and 1 LA Governor vacancy. The Chair noted that conversations had been held with the new Headteacher. Actions will be forthcoming in the summer term.

4.2 No further governance matters were discussed.

5. HEADTEACHER'S ITEMS

5.1 Governors noted receipt of the Headteacher's termly report, which had been uploaded on to Governor Hub prior to the meeting. The highlights were noted as:

- The current total school roll at the end of the spring term was noted as 672 (659.5 FTE); 616 on roll from reception to Year 6.
- For reception 2026 the expectation is for the cohort to be full. Currently there were 89 first place applications and 58 second place applications.
- 39.6% of children are EAL; 17.3% were identified as disadvantage and 12.3% had SEND.
- Attendance for the Infants stood at 95.1% with Persistent Absence at 12.4%. For the Junior school attendance stood at 94.8% with Persistent Absence at 13.1%. Reassurances were provided that Helen and Mariam were meeting weekly to take pre-planned steps for children whose attendance triggers a concern.
- Three staff members will be going on MAT leave at the end of the year; with one member of staff taking paternity leave at the end of the summer term.
- The SEF and SDP were shared. Noted that the new Headteacher may wish to update the SDP for his vision.
- The Headteacher went through the format of the SEF.
- An overview of the extra-curricular activities was provided. Noted that After school clubs continues to grow and generates a net income for the school.
- Writing continues to be a focus for the school with the power of reading a focus for staff training. An overview of twilight training, spring term events and visits was provided and noted.

5.1.1 Governors enquired about contextual information for the junior school.
[Post meeting action -table was provided by the school]

Key Pastoral Factors

	Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6		All Years	
Current Pupils										
Free School Meals	24.14%	21	19.77%	17	16.67%	15	24.42%	21	21.20%	74
English as Additional Language	37.93%	33	38.37%	33	40.00%	36	45.35%	39	40.40%	141
Pupil Premium	22.99%	20	19.77%	17	17.78%	16	24.42%	21	21.20%	74
Medical Condition	25.29%	22	20.93%	18	35.56%	32	32.56%	28	28.65%	100
In Care	1.15%	1			1.11%	1			0.57%	2
SEN Status	17.24%	15	12.79%	11	13.33%	12	13.95%	12	14.33%	50
SEN Needs	18.39%	16	15.12%	13	15.56%	14	16.28%	14	16.33%	57

5.1.2 Q: Why has the school recruited a Nursery Nurse for 0.6?

A: A staff member left to undertake teacher training. Another staff member is on maternity leave. Until notified otherwise, the school is currently making plans as if that person is returning full time. Therefore, the vacancy is for 0.6 of a position.

6. CHAIR'S ITEMS

6.1 Noted that Governors were preparing for the imminent Junior Ofsted inspection.

6.2 The new Headteacher, Damien Parrott will be starting after the Easter Holiday. Initially Damien Parrott would be part time for the summer term to fulfil his contractual requirements and full time from September 2026.

7. PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS FULL GOVERNING BODY MEETING

7.1 The minutes of the full GB meeting held on 6 November 2025 were **AGREED** and **RATIFIED** as a correct record of the meeting.

7.2 Matters arising.
There were no matters arising.

8 MINUTES OF SUBCOMMITTEES

8.1 Resources Committee.
Governors noted receipt of the minutes from Resource Committee meeting held on 18 March 2026. The Committee focused on scrutinising the Q3 outcome; noting the overall deficit £13k outturn position. The Health & Safety audit was received with the score (94%) noted and commended by the Committee. Asbestos works in the boiler-room would-be forthcoming during the Summer 2026 due to water eroding paint. Reassurances were provided that the location of all the asbestos across the school estate is known and detailed

8.1.1 The GB received and **approved** the SFVS for submission to the LA by 31 March 2026.

8.2 Teaching & Learning Committee.
Governors noted receipt of the minutes from teaching, Learning and Curriculum Committee meeting held on 19 March 2026. During the meeting the Committee reviewed how the school was supporting disadvantage children and compared their outcomes to the average of other Haringey PP children. Noted that Ofsted use the ISDR as a key data for their starting points and judgments. Overall, the ISDR shows that the school is slightly below national for writing. Noted that the school had made governors aware of the concerns about writing and were confident with the direction of the school.

8.2.1 Governors discussed the best approach to take when discussing writing with Ofsted; noting that the school has tried different approaches and continues to review options to support children with writing. Noted other schools in the NLC have been approached to see what approaches that have been used by them. The school will be taking books for moderation with other local schools. It is anticipated that the school will have external moderation this year due to a new Headteacher being in post.

ACTION Andrew Gorden to undertake a link governor visit on writing.

9. GOVERNORS' VISITS AND TRAINING (Standing item)

9.1 Governors' Visits.
David Rees had undertaken a safeguarding visit.

9.2 Governors' training
No governors reported having been on any training since the previous Full GB meeting.

10. POLICIES

10.1 The GB received and **APPROVED** the following policies for use by the school:

- **Haringey Teacher Pay Policy**
- **Haringey School Relationship Policy**

11. SAFEGUARDING (Standing Item)

11.1 Marcus Read took governors through the termly safeguarding report, which had been uploaded onto Governor hub prior to the meeting. The following highlights were noted:

- SCR had been reviewed.
- During the link governor visit case work samples, prevent alerts and low-level staff concerns were reviewed.
- The current Safeguarding caseload was noted.
- Child on Child recorded Behaviour concerns were noted

12. DATE AND TIME OF FUTURE MEETINGS FOR THE SPRING & SUMMER TERM

12.1 Governors noted the dates for the Governing Body & Committee meetings during the spring and summer term 2026:

- TLC Summer 2 term 2026
- Resources 12 May 2026
- Full GB 18 May 2026

13. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

13.1 Governors enquired whether staff have received Auto injectors training. The SBM provided reassurances that the school was complaint and training was being provided to relevant staff members.

13.2 The Chair noted that it was Nadine's last meeting as Full GB. Governors thanked for her Nadine for her time and commitment to Bounds Green During her tenure as Headteacher.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending; all staff members except the Deputy Headteacher and Headteacher were invited to leave. Part 1 of the meeting finished at 7:45pm.

Sign: …… Date: ……
Toby Nation, Chair of Governors.