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## PE GOVERNOR VISIT

November 2017

Attendees:     Natasha Stott – LPS Sports Leader and class teacher  
                  Jo Sheppard – Class Teacher  
                  Steve Brown – Specialist Sports Teacher  
                  Oliver Poulain – Parent Governor  
                  Paul Warmington – Parent Governor

This was the second governor visit looking at the PE provision throughout KS1 and KS2. A high quality, well-resourced curriculum will engender into our pupils the core values of Teamwork, Discipline, Confidence, Enjoyment and Respect. This visit was to enable governors to better understand:

- How the requirements of the National Curriculum are covered at Little Paxton
- Are all the resources and equipment needed available
- If more could be done to support the teaching of PE

The first lesson we saw was KS2 Rugby with Jo Sheppard and Steve Brown. Mr Brown provided a lesson plan, adapted from the national curriculum, to suit our provision and aspirations of Little Paxton School. The school field was used for the lesson. The lesson was well structured, and he maintained full engagement of the children throughout the lesson. There was clear progression of skills, teamwork and enjoyment throughout. Basic equipment was available for the lesson, and some recommendations were put forward for possible ideas to use moving forward.

We then saw a KS1 dance lesson with Natasha Stott. We were provided a detailed lesson plan developing the national curriculum guidelines, and Local Authority lesson plan to suit the individual needs of this class. The lesson was based around putting basic movements to a piece of music. All children took part and showed their enthusiasm, movement and team work throughout. The school hall was used for this lesson and was ample space for a class of this size.

From the visits undertaken we can clearly see that PE is an important subject for Little Paxton school. The utilisation of the specialist coaching of Steve Brown to support the teaching staff is well structured and well received by teachers and children alike. There is a broad range of activities provided allowing children every opportunity to engage and develop the core values within the national curriculum. The next steps to support the delivery of PE across the school could be to engage with the many local clubs to enhance and extend the provision of skilled coaching and raise awareness of extracurricular activities available.

The following were noted during the visit for consideration by the governing body and the school:

- Check that the equipment used is fit for purpose (for example correct size rugby balls for the age of the children)
- Ensuring all staff have better awareness of resource locations to avoid time loss before lessons
- Ensuring the best use of the specialist sports teacher's time across all classes, so his time can have the greatest impact.
- Bandwidth speed (internet coverage) within the school is patchy (there were issues with playing a video in the school hall during lesson)
- Do we want sport provision a USP for Little Paxton School? If so we need to raise the importance and focus on this subject
- Which inter school sport competitions is the school involved? Are there any others we could consider taking part in?
- Introduction to local Clubs for training and resource.

Our thanks go to all the staff involved for allowing us to visit their lessons. It was clear from what we saw during this and a previous visit and also from discussions with children and staff that the children have access to high quality sport and PE opportunities which enable them to experience a variety of activities.

