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School Improvement Plan Summary – October 2019

Main areas of development for this year:

Improving attainment and engagement in Literacy and Numeracy

Literacy   *Implementation of BSC's Emerging Literacy (ELC + P1) strategy.*
Reading for Enjoyment – embed a reading culture.

Numeracy   *Cluster development work – pedagogy of teaching and learning in Maths and Numeracy. New resources, concrete materials, reading and training at cluster level with cluster expectations and moderation.*

Improving Teaching and Learning

Involving staff in examining research and resources around best practise, opportunities for sharing practise and planning between schools, encouraging critical self-evaluation and developing school policies and clear expectations.

Developing the curriculum

Looking at Interdisciplinary Learning and Health and Wellbeing (cluster and individual school level).

In addition to these planned actions ***as a response to parental input*** at the 'Meet the HT drop-ins', we are currently consulting with staff, pupils and families to gauge views around <u>Homework</u>. These views *and reference to research* on homework will result in a Homework Policy being created and implemented this session.

This year's School Improvement Plan was created by Miss Broatch and she also highlighted the achievements from the previous year (2018-2019) in her <u>School Improvement Report.</u> These included:

Staff completing a course called 'Confident Staff, Confidence Pupils' which focussed on mental health awareness and research for all. Staff and children engaged with the SBC Building Resilience (Year 1) programme to support Health and Wellbeing with learners.

The leadership team and teachers worked with a robust Quality Assurance and Moderation calendar to improve aspects of Teaching, Learning and Assessment. Staff refreshed the Learning and Teaching Policy and are developing a toolkit.

(The School Improvement Plan and the School Improvement Reports are available in full by request to admin staff.)