# Reporting a Governor visit to Kea School

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# Purpose of visit

Maths learning walk with the deputy Head-teacher, Mrs Clare Green

## Links with the School Improvement Plan / 20 Questions

Raising standards throughout the school: Maths

## **Governor Observations and Comments**

#### 1. Foundation

The class were sitting quietly on the carpet listening to Mrs Partridge. They were learning to count to 20.

They wanted to tell us about the magic beans from the story Jack and the Beanstalk.

They were very excited to show us how they could jog backwards from 20.

#### 2. Year 1

The class were hard at work adding numbers in context.

Some pupils were working concretely with counters.

Others were using ten frames and number lines.

The extension group were writing number sentences.

## 3. Year 2

The class were working in pairs and individually on solving two stage word problems without using manipulatives. Some of the problems were very challenging.

At one point Mrs McPherson asked the pupils to check how much time they had left. She asked them to look at the clock and used the opportunity to revise what they had been learning about telling the time

#### 4. Year 6

The class had just completed two SATS papers in preparation for the upcoming tests. Mr Miles was leading a feedback session going over specific issues that had come up when going through the papers and giving helpful advice about learning key topics.

Mrs Green and I spoke to four pupils with regard to learning maths. They all were happy with the progress they had made this year and were not at all phased about having to sit SATS in a few days.

## Year 4 were at school camp

## Year 5 were in a literacy lesson with a supply teacher

#### **Behaviour**

All pupils behaved well and responded quickly to instructions from their teacher.

Positive learning attitudes were observed in all classes.

#### Safeguarding

Signing in procedures were followed and the lanyard system in use.

# Any issues for the governing body

The pupils in all classes clearly enjoyed maths and seemed eager to learn maths. The pupils that I talked to were happy to explain to me what they were doing and why.

I would like to thank all the staff and pupils for letting me visit their lessons. I really enjoyed seeing maths in action across the school. A special thank you to Mrs Green for giving me her valuable time.