**DIOCESE OF MENEVIA**

ST. JOSEPH’S CATHOLIC JUNIOR SCHOOL

**NOBEL AVENUE, PORT TALBOT SA12 6YN**

Report of the Governing Body concerning the discharge of its duties since July, 2016.

The 1996 Education Act requires Governors to provide a report

A full copy of this report is available from the school upon request.

1. **Governor’s annual meeting with parents**

There is no longer a requirement for governors to hold an annual meeting with parents; instead the obligation has been reversed and the onus has been placed on parents to request a meeting.  The purpose of that request must relate to whole school/class issues and not to discuss issues relating to individual pupils, staff or governors.  Meetings need to be requested via a signed petition detailing the exact reason.  The petition can be made in paper or electronic format, with no more than 3 meetings being requested during the academic year.  Governors are at liberty to hold more than 3 meetings; however, this will be by their choice not parents.  The number of signatures required on the petition in order for the request to be successful is either 10% of registered pupils at the school or 30 in number, whichever is the lower.  Even if the minimum number of signatures is satisfied governors can reject the call for a meeting where it is not of a whole school/class issue.  Parents not content with this decision can invoke the schools complaints procedures.  Where the reason and minimum number of signatures is satisfied, the meeting must be held within 25 schools days of receipt of the petition and parents of all pupils at the school informed.

St. Joseph’s is a Catholic Junior School which caters for the Religious and Educational needs of Catholic pupils aged 7 – 11.

ATTENDANCE SEPT 2016 – JULY 2017

Annual attendance - Period: 01/09/2016 to 28/07/2017

**Neath Port Talbot**

St Joseph's Catholic Junior School

Attendance percentage of possible sessions for pupils on roll and leavers of compulsory school age only

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| **Estab. Id** | **School** | **Attended (%)** | | | **Authorised absences (%)** | | | **Unauthorised absences (%)** | | | **Not required to attend (%)** | | |
|  | | **B** | **G** | **Total** | **B** | **G** | **Total** | **B** | **G** | **Total** | **B** | **G** | **Total** |
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| 3316 | St Joseph's Catholic Junior School | 96.2 | 95.6 | 95.9 | 3.3 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
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| **All Schools** |  | **96.2** | **95.6** | **95.9** | **3.3** | **3.8** | **3.6** | **0.5** | **0.6** | **0.6** | **0.0** | **0.0** | **0.0** |

Pupil attendance for the last year stood at 95.9% which is above a target of 95.5%. Parents are reminded that holidays should be taken within the scheduled school year .

Attendance and punctuality is closely monitored, by the School and our Education Welfare based at the Comprehensive School. Pupils who have lower than 95.5% attendance will receive a first letter from her, if attendance does not improve, another letter will be sent. If a further letter is needed then this could result in a Penalty Notice being issued. Families are aware that Neath Port Talbot have introduced A Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices, which means that Penalty Notices could be issued for unauthorised absences

Parents are informed at the beginning of Term about the importance of contacting the school on their child’s first day of absence. If no message has been received a text message is sent to which parents are expected to respond.

The Governors of the School had set an attendance target of 95%, which has now been to changed 95.5% for the coming year. Please take a look at the figures below which illustrate the number of lessons missed in a school year with some sample attendance figures.

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| *Yearly Attendance* | *Number of lessons missed* |
| *95%* | *65 lessons* |
| *90%* | *130 lessons* |
| *85%* | *195 lessons* |

If we take 90% as an example. This figure results in 130 lessons being missed. This must make a difference to how well any child does in school.

(Table 1 of 2 - PERCENTAGES)

**Neath Port Talbot**

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|  | |  | **N** | **D** | **NCO1** | **NCO2** | **NCO3** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** | **6+** | **4+** |
| **English** | | School | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 8.1 | 59.5 | 29.7 | 0.0 | 89.2 |
| *Wales* | *0.1* | *0.4* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.5* | *1.6* | *6.8* | *48.4* | *40.6* | *1.4* | *90.3* |
| Oracy | | School | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 8.1 | 59.5 | 32.4 | 0.0 | 91.9 |
| *Wales* | *0.1* | *0.4* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.5* | *1.4* | *6.9* | *47.1* | *41.7* | *1.7* | *90.5* |
| Reading | | School | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 10.8 | 56.8 | 29.7 | 0.0 | 86.5 |
| *Wales* | *0.1* | *0.4* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.5* | *1.5* | *7.5* | *46.4* | *41.6* | *1.7* | *89.7* |
| Writing | | School | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 10.8 | 56.8 | 29.7 | 0.0 | 86.5 |
| *Wales* | *0.1* | *0.4* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.5* | *2.0* | *11.3* | *51.5* | *32.5* | *1.3* | *85.4* |
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| **Mathematics** | | School | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.8 | 62.2 | 27.0 | 0.0 | 89.2 |
| *Wales* | *0.1* | *0.4* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.4* | *1.4* | *6.5* | *47.8* | *41.5* | *1.6* | *91.0* |
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| **Science** | | School | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.8 | 67.6 | 21.6 | 0.0 | 89.2 |
| *Wales* | *0.1* | *0.4* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.1* | *0.4* | *1.3* | *5.8* | *49.2* | *42.3* | *0.2* | *91.7* |
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| **Welsh Second Language** | | School | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 18.9 | 54.1 | 21.6 | 0.0 | 75.7 |
| *Wales* | *0.1* | *0.6* | *0.3* | *0.2* | *0.1* | *1.0* | *2.7* | *17.1* | *55.5* | *22.0* | *0.4* | *77.9* |

Core Subject Indicator \*\*

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| School | 89.2 |
| *Wales* | *88.6* |
| **Notes**  N: Not awarded a level for reasons other than disapplication.  D: Disapplied under section 364 or 365 of the Education Act 1996, now effected through sections 113-116 of the Education Act 2002.  NCO1 : National Curriculum Outcome 1  NCO2 : National Curriculum Outcome 2  NCO3 : National Curriculum Outcome 3  (NB NCO1, NCO2 & NCO3 have replaced Level W in previous years) | | | - : Not exactly zero, but less than 0.05  \* : Cohort is less than five or cannot be given for reasons of confidentiality  \*\* : Achieved the expected level in each of Welsh First Language or English, Mathematics and Science in combination. |

National comparative data refers to 2016

(Table 2 of 2 - PUPIL NUMBERS)

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|  | | **N** | **D** | **NCO1** | **NCO2** | **NCO3** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** | **6+** | **Cohort** |
| **English** | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 22 | 11 | 0 | 37 |
| Oracy | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 22 | 12 | 0 | 37 |
| Reading | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 21 | 11 | 0 | 37 |
| Writing | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 21 | 11 | 0 | 37 |
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| **Mathematics** | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 23 | 10 | 0 | 37 |
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| **Science** | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 25 | 8 | 0 | 37 |
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| **Welsh Second Language** | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 20 | 8 | 0 | 37 |
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Core Subject Indicator \*\*

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| School | 33 |

Cohort = 37

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NCO3 : National Curriculum Outcome 3

(NB NCO1, NCO2 & NCO3 have replaced Level W in previous years)

***SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS***

Sport in our school continues to thrive as we continue to provide our children with a full and varied programme of sporting activities. Our rugby, football and netball teams have taken part in interschool friendly matches and Tournaments organised by outside providers. Pupils have also participated in sporting events organised by outside agencies.

The school continued, with the assistance of Mr Courtney to prepare for the Athletics season which included training and participation in Cross Country and Athletics events. The school continue to strive for an inclusive sports curriculum, whereby all pupils enjoy a full range of sporting activities.

Year 5 and 6 pupils took part in a two week block of swimming sessions.

The Governors would like to congratulate the many pupils who have taken part in all the sporting and non-sporting activities throughout the year and all the dedicated staff, parents and friends who regularly give their free time to help the pupils and school achieve the many sporting successes. `