

# Groby Community College Governor Visit Record 2014-15

Name of Governor	Helen Brown	
Date and Time of visit	19 <sup>th</sup> November 2014	
Purpose of visit	Faculty link	
Links with the College Improvement Plan (CIP) (How does the visit relate to a priority in the College Improvement Plan e.g. closing the gap for disadvantaged students, developing curriculum partnership 11-16, embedding effective feedback and follow-up, improving rewards)  See notes below		Links with the Faculty Improvement Plan (FIP) and priorities as identified at the exam results feedback meeting in the Autumn Term:  See note below

## Governor challenge - observations and comments about the visit

E.g. How long did the visit last? What did you observe? What did you learn? What good practice was seen? What would you like clarified? (see policy for example questions – Appendix B)

Visit lasted 1 hour

# Progress since Exam Analysis meeting 8th October 2014:-

Disappointing A2 grades in Geography. Faculty appealed. One student has now improved her grade of a B to an A (ALPS target grade). Still awaiting to see if ALPS grade for VA goes up.

Sociology – big improvement in AS grades but A2 grades not as good – see Exam Analysis Meetings summary. Sociology teacher now assessing every 2 weeks. More exam practice planned for lessons. Many outstanding /good results in faculty – see summary sheet for details.

Year 11 report analysis grades (based on assessed work in year 10 and Autumn term year 11) are pleasing for GCSe History, Geography and BTEC HSC. GCSEs are now linear so Curriculum Leader hopes these predictions hold but has no reason to doubt them.

### **Faculty Improvement Plan:**

The CL shared the improvement plan with me.

#### Key Foci:

Close collaboration across campus to develop an 11-16 curriculum/programme in Geography, History Lifeskills and RS.

Two members of staff leading on Action Research looking at improving feedback Looking at new A level specifications for Psychology and History (Sept.2015) and Geography (Sep 2016)

Faulty bid for SSAT grant and were awarded £1000. All staff in the faculty have an ipad.

Faculty have been given an outstanding Teaching over Time judgement for GCSE. Well done to the faculty.

Workload still remains a problem especially with AS numbers being large. Marking then takes up much of the teachers time.



Any key issues arising for the governing body		
e.g. The way resources are allocated, the way the school communicates, progress in implementing a key policy		
Forward to: Principal for checking as draft. Will then be circulated to the full governing body Jill		
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Follow up action		
Record any action agreed by the governing body with regard to this visit.		
RAG analysis on improvement plan meeting Spring term		
IAG focus beginning of next term		