

WELBECK PRIMARY SCHOOL
LINK GOVERNOR VISIT FEEDBACK FORM

Name	Area/Responsibility	Date of visit
Daphne Carter	Safeguarding	23 rd April 2026 7 th May 2026

Member of staff/class visited Rebecca Gittins (Ruth Mc Connochie- absence)

Objectives of the visit including links to school improvement plan:

23rd April: To monitor arrangements during absence of main DSL.
RG has read all of Ruth McConnochie's documentation, files and appointments to inform herself of Ruth's systems etc.
RG to lead on safeguarding, keeping an overview of current cases on My Concern and compliance. Phase leaders on the safeguarding team will cover lesser / less urgent issues eg parent interviews / discussions.

7th May To monitor safeguarding provision:
The safeguarding team is made up of 5 DSLs – Rebecca Gittins: Ronan Cobb; Kayleigh Wetherall, Sarah Riley, Mollie Wildman and Ruth McConnochie.
RG explained use of ACEs record on the vulnerable list (Adverse Childhood Experiences) which is discussed at the monthly safeguarding meetings of the vulnerable list. ACEs report shows progress made and/or concerns through colour coding.
Currently 123 on the Vulnerable list register which gives an overview of each child on it.
Monthly meetings: 1 member of staff from each Key Stage. Minutes are taken, actions identified at last meeting checked for completion, local community updates discussed so school is aware of any issues that may impact on children.
Currently: 4 DART (Domestic Abuse) cases.
2 families on Child in Need plans which are reviewed every 6 weeks – intervention to prevent escalation into Child Protection procedures.
4 TAF families (Team Around the Family) - early help and support for children / families as soon as there is a concern.
5 post Child in Care.
6 children attend planned counselling. 2 drop in when required.
4 children on monitored support – needs met through lunch club, social groups, board games, computer club.
Attendance monitored: any children with less than 90% attendance receive a home visit by DSLs.

My Concern monitored with C Ollerenshaw – audit trail monitored evidenced what is happening on current day and the concerns raised as the day progressed.
The SCR was monitored for compliance – all checks completed and up to date. Evidence for Identity on Sentry. DBS recorded in confidential file in locked cabinet in school office.

Strengths identified:

Consistent monitoring of vulnerable children and provision of varied but appropriate support for them.
Willingness of HT and staff to escalate referrals if school is not satisfied with an agency response.
Compliance with safe recruiting procedures.
Detailed knowledge of children and their needs, especially those on the vulnerable list.
Regular updating of ACEs document.

Areas for development and issues to follow up further

Regular 3 yearly DBS checks to be considered for all staff once the number of office and admin staff are up to the required number.

Action to be taken following report back to governing body, including timescales for reconsideration by governors if appropriate

Continue to monitor safeguarding provision during the absence of the main DSL.

Evaluation of visit (include impact on attainment, where is the evidence?)

As always, there is much evidence of the school's commitment to the highest standards of safeguarding which impact on the children's well-being, safety and ultimate achievement and attainment. School attendance is high which impacts the children's attainment and there is consistent follow up and support for the few whose attendance is below 90%. All staff are well aware of their responsibility for safeguarding, as evidenced by the continual updating of concerns on My Concern seen today. It is indicative of the school's commitment to safeguarding that as soon as RMcC's absence was identified as long term, I was called in to discuss the temporary arrangements until she is able to return to post.

Governor

Daphne Carter

Link teacher

Rebecca Gittins