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Noremarsch Junior School welcomes back a special school improvement advisor

On 16th April Noremarsch Junior School were delighted to welcome back Mary Davies MBE as part of their drive to improve educational standards at the school. This was the second whole day visit from Mrs Davies - the first was completed in December 23 - where the school was subject to a rigorous assessment of the curriculum, behaviour and attitudes of children, personal development of staff and leadership and management of the school.

During her visit Mrs Davies met with ALT Trust Leaders, the Headteacher and staff. She also talked to children about their work and visited lessons and observed extracurricular activities. This visit had a special focus on reading, PE, art and RE where it was demonstrated that the children were very much enjoying their learning and were visibly proud of their achievements.

Mrs Davies noted that there is tangible progress being made in all areas of the curriculum. It was also observed that the school and the Trust have high expectations of all children, including those with special educational needs. In addition, the new literacy programme (Literacy Tree) is helping all children, irrespective of their academic ability, to access challenging reading texts and positively engage with reading and writing.

Headteacher Hilary MacMeekin said *"We were thrilled to welcome back Mrs Davies to show her the huge amount of progress made by staff in the strengthening of the curriculum. Mrs Davies saw how we now have an embedded curriculum so that our children all have the opportunity to be ambitious in their learning. The visit recognises a huge whole team effort in our commitment to providing the best possible education for all of our children, irrespective of their ability."* The new ALT Trust CEO Jane Coley added *"this visit recognises that there has been a significant improvement in all areas of the school since September."*



"It has taken a vast amount of work by the Headteacher, staff and children which has been supported by our Trust. We are incredibly proud of the feedback from Mary Davies MBE"

Mary Davies is an experienced headteacher, MAT CEO and trustee with nearly 30 years senior leadership experience. Mary has over ten years' experience as an OFSTED inspector.

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