



**Dartmoor**  
MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

## Ethos Committee Report 2018



The Ethos Committee has met three times since the creation of the MAT in January 2018.

It has established its own Terms of Reference and created Terms of Reference for the Ethos Committees for the individual schools. Schools have begun to establish their own Ethos Committees, often as part of the Parent Forum structure. The establishment of these has to date been more successful at Primary than Secondary level, as parental engagement is usually higher and more enthusiastic in the Primary sector.

The Committee has reviewed the minutes of these forums and suggested ways in which the reporting of these could be developed by the LGBs of the individual clusters within the MAT. The Secondary sector have been thinking creatively about how to establish committees which will have meaningful stakeholder engagement and it is expected that these will be established in the near future.

A guidance note on Ethos Committees is being prepared for circulation to Head teachers. Questionnaires for students, staff and parents have been completed and the Committee reviewed these; this will be a regular activity.

The Committee has also focussed its attention on the question of mental health for both staff and students within the MAT and the issue of Mental Health is a standing committee agenda item. Discussions about the variety of initiative and level of help available and how to maximise the benefits to the widest number of people have been had and strategies are being developed. The establishment of a MAT wide mental health working group has been proposed.

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