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# Governor's Learning Walk

A **learning walk** is an opportunity for **governors** to observe school life in action and monitor an aspect or aspects of the school development plan (SDP) in an informal manner.

Please use this template as a reminder of what to look for and what to ask.

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## Part 1: plan the walk

<b>Name and role of governor(s)</b>	
<b>Name and role of staff member(s)</b>	
<b>Date and time of visit</b>	
<b>Agreed focus</b>	
<b>Relevant school objective or priority</b>	
<b>Questions to ask</b>	

Part 2: on the walk

**General notes from discussions with staff**

*Tips:*

*Ask open questions beginning with 'what', 'how', 'when', 'how often', 'why', 'who', 'where' and 'can you show me...'*

*When writing the report do not name individual teachers*

**General notes from discussions with pupils**

*Remember:*

*Do not ask them for pupils' views on a specific teacher*

*Do not record pupils' names*

**General notes on the school environment and overall atmosphere**

*Note:*

*Whether the governors' vision of the school is replicated by staff.*

*Any issues with the school site e.g. broken equipment or lack of resources*

What successes stood out on the learning walk and why?

Questions and clarifications to follow up with the headteacher or chair of governors