

#### **Academic Leadership Conference**

# The Secret to Total Employee Engagement



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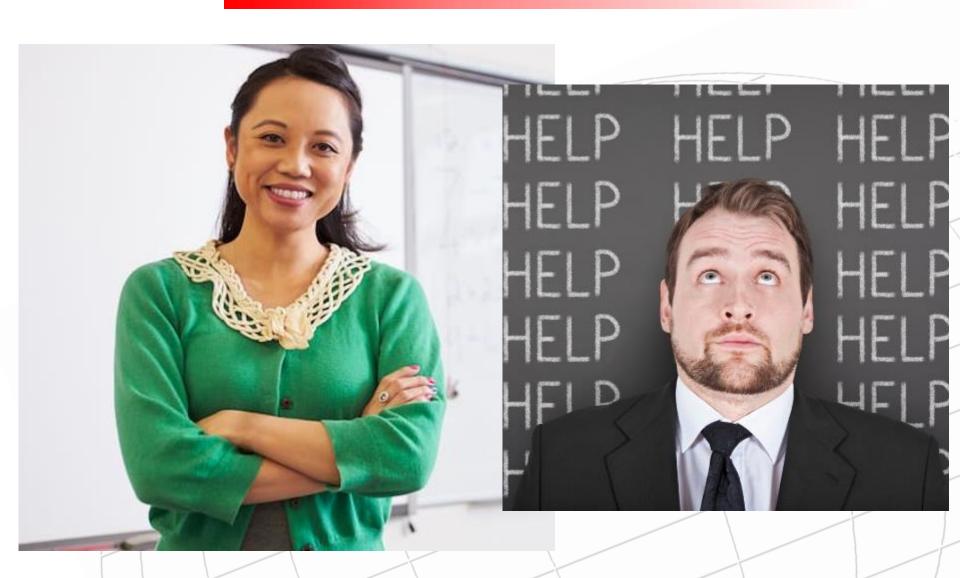


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- Why worry about employee engagement?
- How do we measure it?
- What drives engagement?



### A Tale Of Two Teachers





- What is employee engagement?
  - Why bother?



#### What is morale?

US military's 'Morale survey' – main interest was in the troops' willingness to fight (WW1)

Job satisfaction = good performance?

Concept of engagement: the degree to which people brought their 'full selves' and energy to the job.

Opposite of employee burnout?



#### What is engagement?

'An employee's willingness and ability to contribute to company success.'

'The individual's involvement and satisfaction with as well as enthusiasm for work.'

'Pride, passion & enthusiasm for work.'

https://decision-wise.com/7-definitions-of-employee-engagement/



# Employee engagement

#### **Head of Internal Communications & Engagement**

Knight Frank ★★★★☆ 64 reviews

Baker Street

#### Job Summary

Based in our Global HQ at Baker Street, the Group Marketing & Communications team provides sup both UK and International offices, formulating and implementing relevant strategies and Marcomms campaigns. We are currently recruiting for a Head of Internal Communications & Engagement to own corporate internal communication and engagement strategy. Overseeing the successful delivery of a relevant activities.

The role will be responsible for executing all internal communication related activity, including scoping overseeing the delivery of campaigns, change programmes, employee engagement strategies, key announcements, employee communications and related events.



# Employee engagement

#### Internal Communications and Employee Engagement Officer

Hackney Borough Council ★★★★☆ 61 reviews Hackney

#### £39,543 - £41,466 a year

Internal Communications and Employee Engagement Officer. Reporting to the Internal Communications and Employee Engagement Manager, this post will lead on...

on a key role in its award-winning Communications, Culture and Engagement Service.

Reporting to the Internal Communications and Employee Engagement Manager, this post will led delivering the internal communications strategy, corporate communications and associated projectly multiple portfolios. This role will also be integral to delivering our staff engagement strategy and

The successful candidate will be able to think strategically, have first class writing skills and have



### Best UK company?

'The company's ultimate purpose is the happiness of all its members, through their worthwhile and satisfying employment in a successful business.'

John Lewis Partnership Principle number 1



# Why bother?

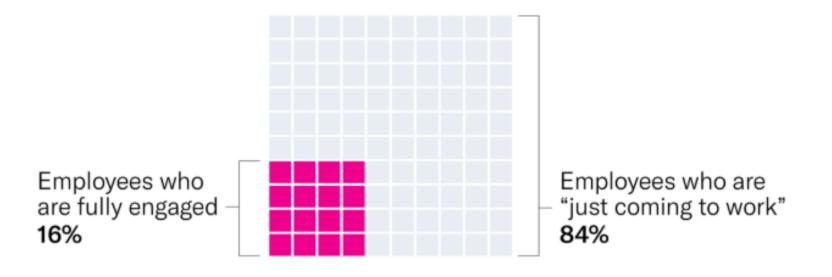
#### Good staff engagement results in:

- Better workplace atmosphere
- Low staff turnover
- Retention of top talent
- Flexible staff, receptive to new ideas
- Collaboration, innovation
- Better productivity
- More effective teaching
- Better learning outcomes
- Increased student satisfaction
- Greater customer loyalty



#### The Sad State of Employee Engagement

The vast majority of employees globally aren't fully engaged with their work.



Source: ADP Research Institute, 2019



# How do you measure staff morale / employee engagement?



# How do you measure it?

Rely on gut feeling?

Collect evidence:

- Staff surveys



# Staff surveys

#### 2019 Staff Survey

At which St Giles do y	ou work?		
		Response percent	Response total
Brighton		0%	0
Cambridge		0%	0
Eastbourne		0%	0
London Central		100%	25
London Highgate		0%	0
New York		0%	0
San Francisco		0%	0
Vancouver		0%	0
Juniors		0%	0
Head Office		0%	0

Statistics based on 25 respondents;

Did you attend any internal or external training sessions in the past year?								
Yes								
No								
Has the training you have attended been effective?								
Yes								
No								
How can training be imp	How can training be improved?							
What kind of further training would you like to receive?								

#### What did you think of the following?

	Excellent	Good	ok	Not OK	Poor	Didn't use this facility	Response total	Average score
The Self-Access Centre	27.78% ( <u>5</u> )	50% ( <u>9</u> )	22.22% ( <u>4</u> )	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	18	4.06
Getting Access to the Internet	16% ( <u>4</u> )	28% (Z)	44% ( <u>11</u> )	8% ( <u>2</u> )	4% ( <u>1</u> )	0% (0)	25	3.44
Getting Access to a Photocopier	28% (Z)	40% (10)	12% ( <u>3</u> )	16% ( <u>4</u> )	4% (1)	0% (0)	25	3.72
Our Classrooms	12% ( <u>3</u> )	24% ( <u>6</u> )	60% ( <u>15</u> )	4% ( <u>1</u> )	0% (0)	0% (0)	25	3.44
Using Interactive Whiteboards	24% ( <u>6</u> )	36% ( <u>9</u> )	36% ( <u>9</u> )	4% (1)	0% (0)	0% (0)	25	3.80
Our Social Programme	54.17% ( <u>13</u> )	41.67% ( <u>10</u> )	4.17% ( <u>1</u> )	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	24	4.50
Our School Social Events	39.13% ( <u>9</u> )	43.48% ( <u>10</u> )	17.39% (4)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	23	4.22
The Food in our Cafe	6.67% (1)	26.67% ( <u>4</u> )	66.67% (10)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	15	3.40
Our Cafe in General (Space, Decor, Staff etc)	17.39% ( <u>4</u> )	56.52% ( <u>13</u> )	26.09% ( <u>6</u> )	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	23	3.91
The Staffroom	8.7% ( <u>2</u> )	30.44% (Z)	52.17% (12)	8.7% (2)	0% (0)	0% (0)	23	3.39
Your Office	20% ( <u>2</u> )	20% ( <u>2</u> )	50% ( <u>5</u> )	10% ( <u>1</u> )	0% (0)	0% (0)	10	3.50
Cycle Storage	9.09% ( <u>1</u> )	27.27% ( <u>3</u> )	45.46% ( <u>5</u> )	9.09% (1)	9.09% (1)	0% (0)	11	3.18
Teaching Resources	36% ( <u>9</u> )	44% ( <u>11</u> )	12% ( <u>3</u> )	4% ( <u>1</u> )	4% ( <u>1</u> )	0% (0)	25	4.04
Central London ELT Library	30.44% (Z)	47.83% ( <u>11</u> )	17.39% ( <u>4</u> )	4.35% ( <u>1</u> )	0% (0)	0% (0)	23	4.04
Platinum Lounge	63.16% (12)	36.84% (Z)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	19	4.63
The Building	20% ( <u>5</u> )	68% ( <u>17</u> )	12% ( <u>3</u> )	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	25	4.08



# Staff surveys

#### Key questions:

- I am really enthusiastic about the mission of my company.
- At work, I clearly understand what is expected of me.
- In my team, I am surrounded by people who share my values.
- I have the chance to use my strengths every day at work.
- My teammates have my back.
- I know I will be recognized for excellent work.
- I have great confidence in my company's future.
- In my work, I am always challenged to grow.



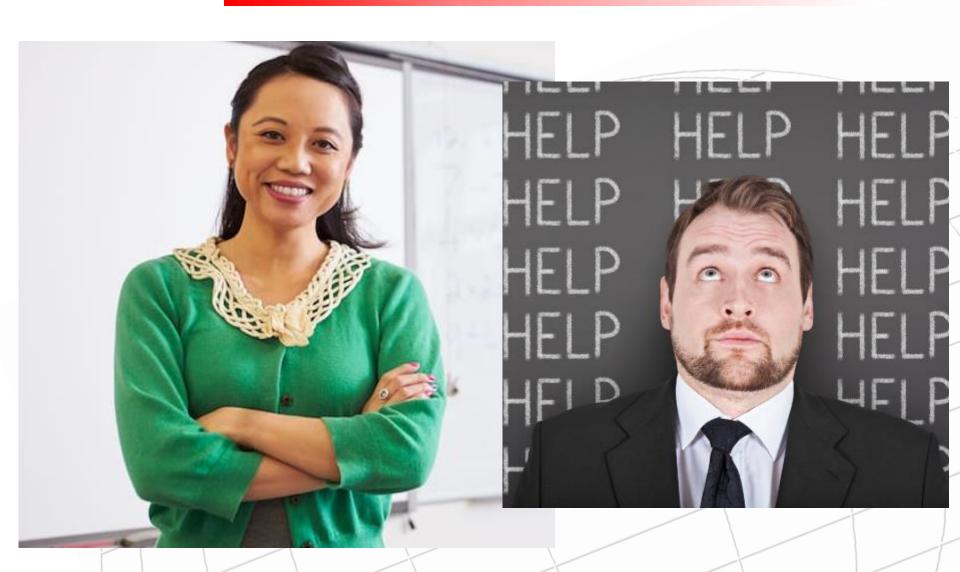
Are you fully engaged?

Or merely 'coming to work'?

What actually drives engagement?

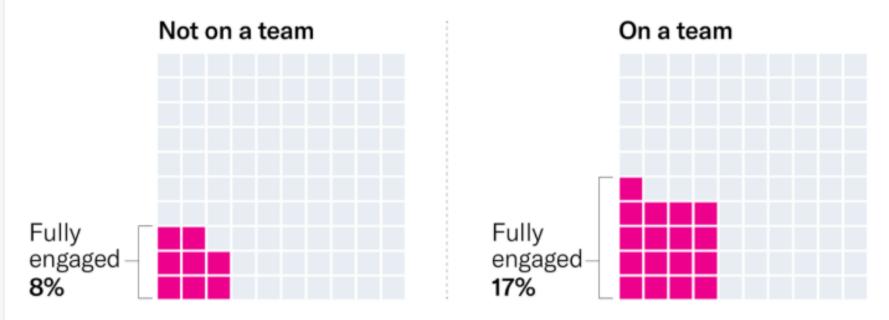


#### Nadia & Brett



#### The Power of Teams

The share of employees who are fully engaged more than doubles if they are on teams.



Source: ADP Research Institute, 2019





#### **TEAMS**

83% survey respondents said that most work is teamwork...

Is that true in our schools?



#### **TEAMS**

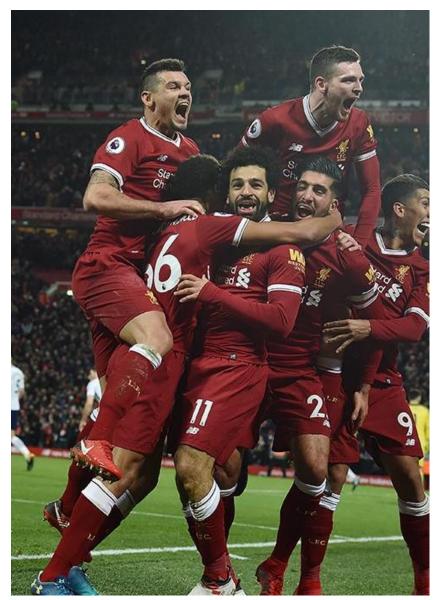
#### Teamwork is...

- Sharing responsibilities
- Sharing problems
- Solving problems
- Sharing ideas
- Sharing values
- Giving and receiving support

Staffroom teams Co-teacher teams AM or PM teacher teams Specialist course teams Specific level teams Department teams Senior teams Newer teacher teams Project teams Management teams CPD teams

# The quality of these team experiences

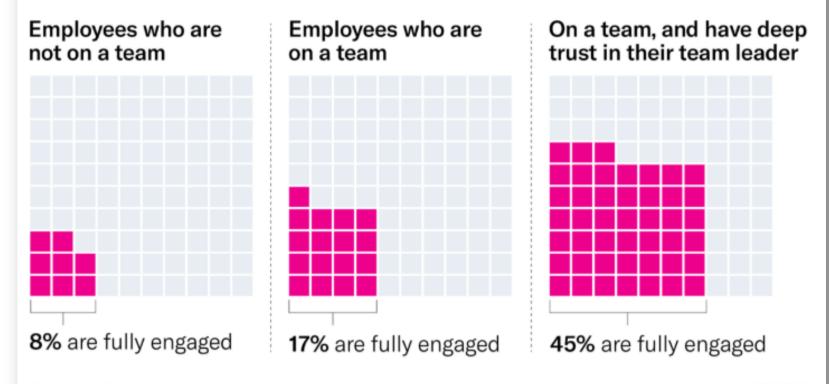
the quality of your work experience.





#### The Power of Trust

As noted, the share of employees who are fully engaged more than doubles if they are on a team. It *more than* doubles *again* if they strongly trust the team leader.



Source: ADP Research Institute, 2019





# St Giles How do you build extreme trust?

Listen. Understand.

Join up the dots.

Match roles to talents and abilities.

Build in team work & collaboration.

Help create variety.

Provide challenge.

Opportunities for growth.

Give recognition.



#### **GIVE ATTENTION**

Frequent, light-touch 'check-ins'

What are your priorities this week?

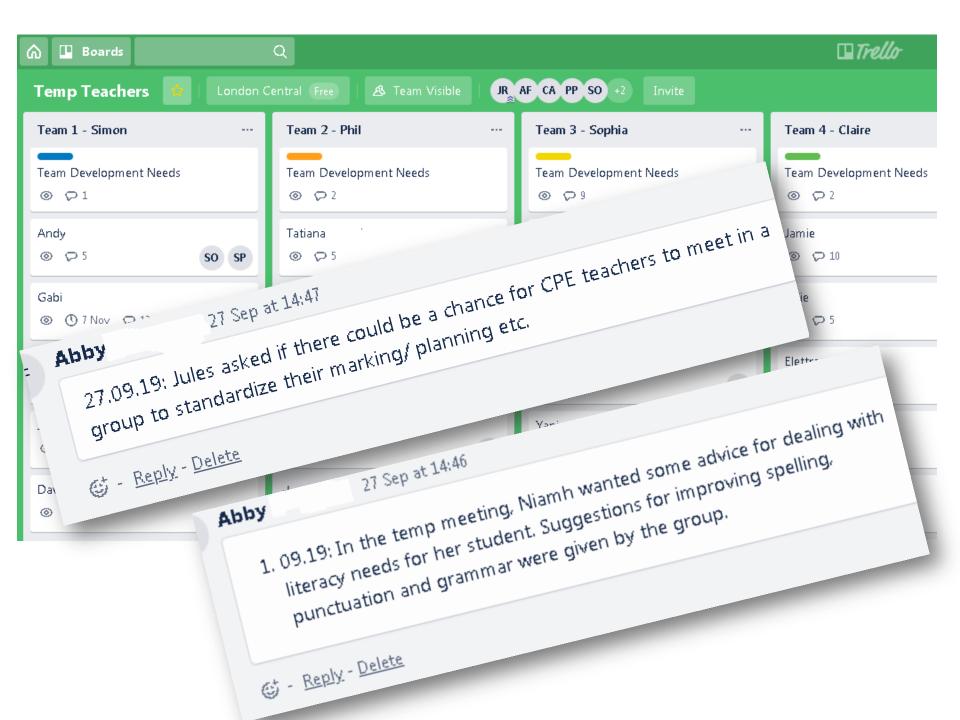
How can I help?



#### How do you record this?

- Team spreadsheet
- Individual goals / strengths / interests
- Notes from check-ins

Use an online platform (e.g. Trello) where team leaders can share insights





#### LEARN TOGETHER

Professional development activities emphasise collaboration and teamwork



#### Effective CPD

#### Teacher development that works:

- 1. is concrete and classroom-based
- 2. involves teachers in choices of areas to develop and activities to undertake
- 3. brings in expertise from outside the school
- 4. is sustained over time
- 5. helps teachers to work **collaboratively** with peers
- 6. provides opportunities for mentoring and coaching
- 7. is supported by school leadership

Walter Briggs, 2012



### **Employee Engagement**

When confronted with a performance problem, ask

'How can we address this through our teams?'



#### **Employee Engagement**

The team leader plays a key role in creating the best work experiences



# **Employee Engagement**

Build (extreme) trust

Give frequent, light-touch attention

Build in collaborative learning





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# Thank You!

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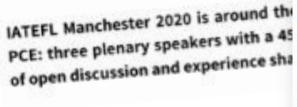
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Staff can't be engaged if management isn't engaged, so let's start with us!

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