



Pupil Parliament Newsletter

Summer 2018

Written by committee members for pupils and parents.



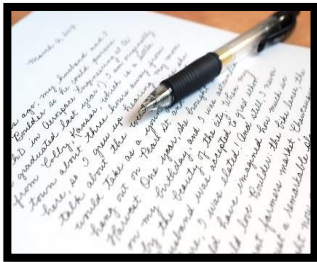
Pupil Voice

This term we have focussed on what we need plan for when moving towards being back in school in September. We have worked in our classes to conduct surveys, looking at a range of ideas that we can target including trips, in class activities, playground resources and lunchtimes. We then put all our ideas together and prioritised them. We are now in the process of booking to meet with Mr Denchfield to discuss our proposals.



Members: Alamin, Cassie, Kye, Jenson, Krithika, Amellia, Erik, Grace, Phoebe, Taylor, Joseph, Charlotte, Chisom, Justas, Freddie, Isla, Lily-May, Leon, Skye and Jordan.

Learning Environment Committee



The Learning Environment Team are continuing to look at ways of improving handwriting across the school. The children's role is to remind their friends of the handwriting expectations and remind teachers of the 'Handwriter of the Day'! Our next step is to look at the way handwriting is presented and encouraged in the classrooms.

Members: Amber, Thomas, Jaheda, Alice, Sienna, Trinity, Ava, Enrico, Frankie, Jeanelle, Eliza and Tigerlily

Eco Committee

The Eco-committee have been focused on the national campaign to reduce the use of plastic. We have looked at how we can recycle more plastic within school. Bins have been purchased and we are currently awaiting delivery. The children have also negotiated with Mr Denchfield and Mr Bains about how we can recycle more within school and plans are being developed. We have also ordered four other bins to enable us to recycle paper, cardboard, plastic and general waste. We are researching recycling batteries.



Mr Keeley has been very helpful in starting to sort out the flower containers around school and our allotment area. We were very grateful for the donations of vegetable plants from parents and the spare pots and compost from the FOB. The children have also been growing some vegetables themselves and attempting to keep them watered in the hot weather.

Members: Samuel, Joshua, Bella, Gracie-May, Beau, Sydnie, Chloe and Aarav.

Resolution Role Models

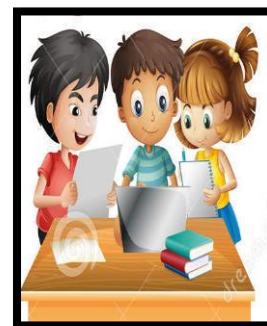
Resolution Role Models are continuing to do an excellent job in the playground resolving any friendship difficulties they are asked to support with. Adults, who are on duty, also encourage the children to support when they feel it would be appropriate. Many children are beginning to learn this approach and are able to discuss their difficulties within their friendship groups and resolve any disagreements themselves. Looking ahead to next year, we will look to train a new team of Role Models in the Autumn Term and we would also like to make links with other local schools who also use this approach to share good ideas.



Members: Daniel, Freddie, Tallulah, Meda, Nyriah, Lily, Zachary, Harry, Joseph, A.J, Liberty, Amna, Jenson, Jessica and Daison.

Curriculum Team

The Curriculum Team took part in a marking policy review earlier this year in which they made suggestions for how our marking policy could be improved. Following this, their suggestions were presented to Mr. Denchfield we are currently trialling some of the changes suggested. The Curriculum Team will be asked for their thoughts on how this trial went at the end of the summer term.



Looking ahead to next year, the children will be supporting in the planning of a chicken coop area in the school as we hope to be able to keep the chicks we hatch in Reception next year as our Benhurst chickens. They will also be leading a whole school project looking to identify the characteristics of a good learner and sharing these with classes throughout the school.

Members: David, Katya, Tasmia, Keira, Scarlett, Funmisho, Sidney and Alex.

LIFE Ambassadors



This term was the big event for all our work investigating and supporting the Guide Dogs. For the finale, we held a day of sporting activities. Each class took part in a bouncing competition, completed as many laps of the track as they could in half an hour and as LIFE Ambassadors we worked with each class teacher to take a P.E. lesson where all the children rotated around lots of different activities including tennis, netball, rolling, jumping and football. On the day, we raised £314 bringing our total fundraising for the Guide Dogs to £844!

Members: David, Rose, Jenson, Charlie, Bethany, Freddie, Ruby, Tasmia, Zachary and James.

Travel Ambassadors



The JTAs are very happy with how their 'seat-belt' assembly went! They feel very proud of themselves for planning, organising and holding an assembly for KS2. This took a lot of courage and they are happy that they had this experience! The JTAs recently had a discussion about a few topics, which could be promoted around our school, surrounding safer travel. We spoke about the importance of walking to school, crossing the roads safely and ensuring that the routes that we take to school are safe. After a discussion about all of these topics, the JTAs chose to spend time focusing on the routes that we take to get to and from school. They have decided to spend time, plotting their own journeys into school on maps. These maps will include pedestrian crossings, traffic lights, main roads etc. They will also highlight any surrounding areas around our school which may not be the safest route for us to take. In a few weeks, we will hold another meeting and we will reflect on our personal journeys, to and from, school.

Members: Dunjoyin, Jayah, Dilpreet, Anna, Rylie, Amy

Full Parliament Assembly

In June, we held our end of term assembly where we explained what we had been working on to the whole school. We really enjoyed it and got asked lots of questions!



Finally

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support for without you a lot of our work would not be possible. Don't forget to contact a parliament member if you have any ideas or problems that you would like to raise. We wish you all a wonderful Summer Holiday!

