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## Waterton Academy Trust

### Children's Parliament Meeting Minutes

**DATE:**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2021

**TIME:**

1.00pm

**LOCATION:**

Walton Primary Academy

**Present**

**Prime**

Ethan (CPS)

**Ministers:**

Keisha (NCPA)

**Chair**

Mr Dickinson, Waterton Academy Trust

**Attending:**

Representatives from Walton Primary Academy

Representatives from Normanton Common Primary Academy

Representatives from Normanton Junior Academy

Representatives from Lee Brigg Infant & Nursery

Representatives from Charlston Community School

Representatives from South Kirkby Academy

Representatives from Wrenthorpe Academy

Representatives from Cherry Tree Academy

Representatives from Mill Dam School

Representatives from King's Meadow Academy

Representatives from West End Academy

Representatives from Churchfield Primary Academy

Representatives from Crofton Infants School

Representatives from Normanton Common Primary Academy

**Clerk:**

Miss Waring, Waterton Academy Trust

**Apologies:**

**ITEM**

**ACTION**

**1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies**

The CEO, Mr Dickinson began by welcoming everyone to the meeting. All attendees were given an introduction.

**2. PM and DPM Introductions**

Mr Dickinson congratulated Keisha from Normanton Common Primary (NCPA) Academy and Ethan from Churchfield Primary School (CPS) for being appointed as the 21-22 Waterton Deputy Prime Minister and Prime Minister.

**ACTION 1:** Miss Waring to add successful applications to Children's Parliament section of website for all to view.

**GW/JS**

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	Mr Dickinson then addressed the room and congratulated all parliament representatives present, emphasising the importance and privilege of the role to represent all Waterton children in all Waterton schools.
<b>3.</b>	<b>Review of the Previous Minutes</b>
	The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. It was agreed that all actions had been addressed and that the minutes were an accurate record.
<b>4.</b>	<b>Rob Burrow MND Day</b>
	<p>The CEO began by discussing with parliament who Rob Burrow is, his sporting career, accomplishments, and his progressive illness motor neurone disease (MND). The CEO informed Parliament that the Trust are to hold a fund raising week on the week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022 in aid of motor neurone disease and asked that children return to their schools following the meeting and ask what fundraising suggestions children had for this week.</p> <p>Parliament representative discussed some potential ideas during the meeting, suggestions included bun sales and sports tournaments.</p> <p><b>ACTION 2:</b> Parliament Leads to contact Miss Waring with fund raising suggestions for Rob Burrow MND day.</p>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Wellbeing Sub-Committee</b>
	<p>Parliament representatives were informed that at the previous parliament meeting a suggestion was made that a wellbeing subcommittee should be formed. Discussions took place surrounding the concept of wellbeing and what actions can either improve or decrease it. Many attendees disclosed that their schools already have wellbeing committees and wellbeing champions in place and that this has been very beneficial and thus a Trust wide wellbeing initiative would be welcomed.</p> <p>It was suggested that a Trust wide wellbeing week be introduced for all 5000 Waterton children to participate in. It was unanimously decided that this wellbeing week should go ahead. This week is to take place 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022 in line with the National 'feeling good week'.</p> <p><b>ACTION 3:</b> Trust to arrange Waterton Wellbeing week.</p> <p>Following this discussion it was also suggested that a wellbeing tab be added within the Waterton Trust and school's websites to promote wellbeing all year round.</p> <p><b>ACTION 4:</b> Mr Sephton to ensure that each school has a parliament page.</p> <p><b>ACTION 5:</b> Mr Sephton to add Wellbeing tab to Waterton and school websites.</p> <p>Other wellbeing suggestions included nominating a wellbeing champion, creating a wellbeing group in all schools, conducting a wellbeing month and having a wellbeing poster competition.</p>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Sports Competition</b>

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	<p>It was publicised that throughout the year there shall be a number of sporting competitions for Waterton children to participate in.</p> <p>Mr Bean began by presenting information surrounding a girl's football competition that shall be available for all year 3, 4, 5 and 6 girls to participate in team sizes of 6-8.</p> <p><b>ACTION 6:</b> Mr Bean to circulate competition information to Headteachers to circulate information to children.</p> <p>Internal Waterton sporting competitions shall also be held throughout the academic year for Waterton children only to participate in. Competitions shall initially take place in Hubs with the winning teams in each Hub meeting to compete for the winners position. These competitions shall be arranged by S Biltcliffe and are expected to commence next half term.</p> <p><b>ACTION 7:</b> Parliament representatives to return to school and speak to children about what sports they would like to see. Information is to be fed back at the next parliament meeting.</p> <p>It was suggested that it should be ensured that all Waterton children are able to participate including those who may have additional support requirements.</p> <p><b>ACTION 8:</b> Miss Waring and Mr Dickinson to liaise with S Biltcliffe regarding commencement of inclusive sporting competitions.</p>	<p><b>JB</b></p> <p><b>CP Reps</b></p> <p><b>DD, GW</b></p>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Waterton Young Chef</b>	
	<p>Miss Waring explained to representatives that in the previous year's parliament meetings, representatives had begun discussions surrounding 'Waterton Young Chef'. From December children would have the opportunity to participate in 'Waterton Young Chef' by submitting a cooking recipe with cooking instructions and an image of the final product to the Trust by the 17<sup>th</sup> of December. Successful submissions would then be invited to participate in 'cook offs' in 2022 supported by ISS where a final winner would be elected to win the 'Waterton Young Chef of the Year' trophy.</p> <p>Miss Waring continued that to begin the competition process a theme needed to be decided upon, the suggested theme would be Christmas. All attendees discussed potential themes and unanimously agreed that Christmas would be the chosen theme.</p> <p><b>ACTION 9:</b> Miss Waring to coordinate distribution of details of 'Waterton Young Chef' competition and entry requirements.</p> <p>Parliament representatives further contributed suggesting that the following year a Halloween cookie decorating competition take place as well as costume competitions and pumpkin designing.</p>	<p><b>GW</b></p>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Drama Society</b>	

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	<p>Discussions took place surrounding the ongoing stage works at Normanton Junior Academy (NJA). It was explained that the previous parliament suggested that following this work a drama club may be formed for Waterton children to participate in. Attendees were asked to return to school and gauge interest from fellow pupils.</p> <p><b>ACTION 10:</b> Parliament representatives to return to schools to assess interest in drama club and feedback at the next parliament meeting.</p>	<p><b>CP Reps</b></p>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Let's Go Zero</b>	
	<p>Mr Dickinson explained that during the last Headteachers Group meeting Mr Welsh Headteacher at NJA had raised 'Let's Go Zero' and asked if the Trust would support the campaign. Mr Dickinson advised that the Trust would support this national campaign to become carbon zero by 2030.</p> <p>Attendees discussed what initiatives schools could begin to put in place to support this initiative. Suggestions included litter picking, walking to school, recycling, turning off lights and chargers, and going paperless. It was suggested to begin contributing to this initiative the next parliament meeting would be paperless. It was suggested that attendees should return to their schools and for eco groups to discuss the initiative to feed back ideas at the next parliament meeting.</p> <p><b>ACTION 11:</b> At the next Parliament meeting go paperless.</p> <p><b>ACTION 12:</b> Representatives to form an eco-group in schools to support 'Let's Go Zero' and to discuss initiatives to feed back at the next parliament meeting.</p> <p><b>ACTION 13:</b> 'Let's Go Zero' link to be added to Children's Parliament page and school websites.</p>	<p><b>Trust</b></p> <p><b>CP Reps</b></p> <p><b>GW/JS</b></p>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Waterton Still has Talent</b>	
	<p>As discussed under item 8, works are taking place to restore the stage at NJA. Mr Dickinson continued that this facility shall provide an excellent opportunity to recommence 'Waterton's got Talent' as 'Waterton Still has talent'. Discussions took place regarding the success of previous years and potential talents that could be showcased. All attendees unanimously agreed to restart 'Waterton still has Talent'.</p> <p>Mr Dickinson continued that this event shall not be a competition but instead be a celebration of eclectic talent. As before schools shall host heats and put forward their chosen acts to perform at the Waterton Still has Talent showcase at the beginning of summer 1.</p>	
<b>11.</b>	<b>End of Year Celebration</b>	
	<p>Mr Dickinson noted that although this is the first meeting of the year, time passes very quickly and thus requested that attendees begin thinking about the next end of year celebration</p> <p><b>ACTION 14:</b> Parliament representatives to bring end of year celebration suggestions to the next parliament meeting.</p>	<p><b>CP Reps</b></p>

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<b>12. Any Other Business</b>	
<p><i>Favourite Subject Day-</i> Parliament representatives suggested that in order to celebrate everyone's differing academic strengths and subject interests the Trust could hold a 'Favourite Subject Day' where children get to choose what subject they wish to learn for the whole day. Mr Dickinson asked that this proposal be put in writing for the next parliament meeting.</p> <p><i>Budget-</i> The CEO explained that the Central Trust Finance Team are currently evaluating what monies remain from the previous years parliament. Attendees were asked to begin to consider what initiatives remaining money should be used for. Suggestions during the meeting included school trips and an outdoor recreation spaces with board games and a 'chill room'.</p> <p>To conclude the meeting Mr Dickinson thanked all for their valuable contributions and for attending the first parliament meeting of the year.</p>	
<b>13. Date of Next Meeting</b>	
<p>The date of the next meeting shall be Thursday 2nd December 1 PM (East hub venue TBC).</p> <p>Ackworth Mill Dam and Churchfield Primary Academy Volunteered to host the next meeting.</p> <p><b>ACTION 15:</b> Miss Waring to contact School to arrange next Children's Parliament venue.</p>	<b>GW</b>

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