

Waterton Academy Trust

Children's Parliament Minutes

DATE:

 Monday 30th April 2018

TIME:

1pm

LOCATION:

Normanton Junior Academy

PRESENT

Prime Minister	Grace (Sharlston Community School)	
Deputy Prime Minister	Emma (South Kirkby Academy)	
Chair	Chloe (Sharlston Community School)	
	G Bishop (Waterton Academy Trust)	
	M Barber	Cherry Tree Representatives
	T Connellan	Walton Representatives
	L Cavell	Normanton Common Representatives
	E Studd	South Kirkby Representatives
	R Tait and A Tait	Normanton Junior Academy Representatives
	J Dunderdale	Sharlston Community School Representatives
	L Tutt	Lee Brigg Representatives
	S Mayman	Wrenthorpe Representatives
	T de Beer	Ackworth Mill Dam Representatives
	C Holloway	Crofton Infant's School
Clerk:	K Newton (Waterton Academy Trust)	
Apologies:	D Dickinson (Waterton Academy Trust)	

ITEM	ACTION
<p>1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies</p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and all representatives introduced themselves. Apologies accepted from Mr Dickinson.</p>	
<p>2. Review of the previous minutes</p> <p>The minutes were accepted as an accurate record of the last meeting.</p>	
<p>3. MP Andrea Jenkyns Update</p> <p>Mr Dickinson has written to four local Members of Parliament to invite them to Waterton Academy Trust. MP Andrea Jenkyns had responded and arrangements have been made for her to visit Wrenthorpe Academy, as it is within her constituency. Andrea is the Member of Parliament for Morley and Outwood. Andrea will visit Wrenthorpe Academy on Friday 18th May 2018 at 10.00am.</p> <p>ACTION: A planning meeting has been scheduled to prepare for the visit.</p>	1
<p>4. Parliament Suggestion Box</p> <p>The Chair gave a recap about the school council/parliament suggestion box. The children had discussed the idea of having a suggestion box, in every school for those who might not want to speak face to face.</p> <p>Some Members of Parliament had brought designs to share at the meeting, everyone had the opportunity to look at the designs. The designs included features such as speech bubbles, smiley faces, children's pictures, the Waterton logo and their schools logo. It was agreed that a feature from each design would be implemented.</p> <p>ACTION: Each school to provide a sturdy box, to create a school council/parliament suggestion box. To share any ideas or suggestions at the parliament meetings.</p>	2
<p>5. Waterton Radio/ Podcast</p> <p>It was suggested that having a podcast would provide another opportunity to communicate. That children could listen to this online on the Waterton website and would be interesting to hear, what topics other schools have learned about. Some schools have previously recorded using audacity software.</p> <p>It was proposed that the children considered performance poetry, as it would be a good vehicle for ensuring poems are practiced and learned by heart. It was discussed as a possible poetry competition.</p>	

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<p>ACTION: Schools are to have a go at producing one or two podcasts to see how it works.</p>	3
<p>6. Ideas for the next performance at Wakefield Theatre Royal</p>	
<p>Ideas for the next performance at Wakefield Theatre Royal were proposed, a play, songs and dance incorporating musicals, films and Disney. A choir event, including staff choir, music festival and gymnastics.</p> <p>After discussion it was agreed that the children would like to perform in a musical, so that they have the opportunity to act, sing and dance. It was decided that there would be a performance of a medley of musicals such as Oliver, Annie, Disney songs and films, and that staff could also participate.</p>	
<p>7. Any other business</p>	
<p>7.1 Children's Enterprise Scheme</p>	
<p>Children from Wrenthorpe Academy shared information about a project that they run in school. Wrenthorpe Enterprise – Children have a £5.00 budget and have to come up with a stall to make money. Cherry Tree also runs something similar where the money returns to school. Walton Primary also reported have a similar scheme where they donate any profit to charity and Normanton Junior put their profit towards school trips. The activities are planned in advance and after planning the money is allocated. It was suggested that schools incorporate this into school fairs to boost stalls.</p>	
<p>7.2 Safeguarding Poster</p>	
<p>Members of Parliament from Lee Brigg shared a safeguarding poster that they have created, which they will display inside and outside of the school. Walton Primary reported that they are currently working on theirs.</p>	
<p>7.3 Music festival – Battle of the bands</p>	
<p>One MP suggested that an end of year event takes place, such as a music festival/ battle of the bands. An idea for future end of the summer term.</p>	
<p>8. Date and venue of next meeting</p>	
<p>Monday 2nd July – Sharlston Community School</p>	

MEETING CLOSED