

Waterton Academy Trust

Children's Parliament Minutes

DATE:

Monday 22nd January 2018

TIME:

1pm

LOCATION:

Cherry Tree Academy

PRESENT

Prime Minister	Grace (Sharlston Community School)	
Deputy Prime Minister	Emma (South Kirkby Academy)	
Chair	Chloe (Sharlston)	
	G Bishop (Waterton Academy Trust)	
	M Barber	Cherry Tree Representatives
	T Connellan	Walton Representatives
	K Saville	Normanton Common Representatives
	G Birkby	South Kirkby Representatives
	R Tait and D Wood	Normanton Junior Academy Representatives
	E Swann	Sharlston Community School Representatives
	J Stefaniuk	Crofton Infants' School Representatives
	S Gordon	Lee Brigg Representatives
	K Sanders	Wrenthorpe Representatives
	T De Beer and J Stogden	Ackworth Mill Dam Representatives
Clerk:	K Newton	
Apologies:	D Dickinson	

ITEM	ACTION
1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies	
<p>Mr Bishop attended the meeting to support Chloe in her role as chair. Chloe welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were noted for Mr Dickinson</p>	
2. Review of the previous minutes	
<p>The minutes were accepted as an accurate record of the last meeting.</p>	
3. Community Initiative – How we can make stronger links	
<p>Children’s parliament have focused in the first two years around our schools and are now looking to be more community focused.</p> <p>Pupils will have the opportunity to represent their school in the local community, taking part in exciting projects and becoming part of the wider community, across the Waterton Academy Trust.</p> <p>Examples of community projects that schools have previously been involved in are: Litter picking and bulb planting at Normanton Common Primary Academy to make their community look nicer. Eco learning at South Kirkby Academy, where they had a scarecrow competition using recycled materials. Pupils from Cherry Tree Academy had been litter picking, bulb and tree planting, singing carols at Christmas in old people’s homes and created a design for the new houses being built near the school. Sharlston Community School at Christmas time had a wishing tree, where people wrote their wishes on a piece of paper and tied it to the wishing tree and senior citizens were invited to come for lunch at school.</p> <p>Suggestions to move forward; Schools to contact Groundworks or Groundwork Trust to supply bulbs for school to plant (Woodlands Trust for trees). Another suggestion was for schools to plant daffodils, once grown cut the flowers, tie a message to them from Waterton children and hand out in the community. – Friendship flowers.</p> <p>Action: Children to research planting bulbs in their community. To find out where a good place to make improvements in their community would be.</p>	
4. Inviting MP’s	
<p>Mr Dickinson has written a letter to local Members of Parliament, inviting them to Waterton Academy Trust.</p>	
5. SLT – Headteachers Meeting, Wednesday 31st January	
<p>Grace, Emma and Chloe, as part of the Senior leadership team will attend the Headteachers meeting, Wednesday 31st January where they will discuss Children’s Parliament.</p> <p>Action: KN to arrange travel, confirm times and send out permission letters.</p>	

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6. Any other business	
6.1 Waterton's Got Talent Regional heats and rehearsals are taking place this week in every school. Normanton common have decided on 2 acts, X2 dancers (street dance) and a Year 1 singer. Q. Is there going to be a prize for Watertons Got Talent? A. It was agreed that a certificate would be given to all children that perform. Q. Would the show be filmed again? A. Mr Bishop confirmed that the show would be filmed. Schools requested a copy of the DVD as they would like to have a showing for the whole school. Action: The cost of DVD to be confirmed. KN to contact local media to inform them about the event.	
7. Date and venue of next meeting	
Monday 19 th March 2018, Ackworth Mill Dam	

MEETING CLOSED