



Friday 13th October, 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you may be aware, the children of Redlands have participated in two elections this week; School Council Elections and House Captain/Vice-Captain Elections.

The process for vying for School Council Representative was rigorous and the selection procedure was tough. The children were asked to write an application form to express an interest in the position. Mrs Tobin, Mrs Headley and Miss Toon then short-listed candidates for each class, to then present a speech to their class. They were asked to explain why they thought that they would make a good school councillor, before have the class vote for their chosen school council representative.

The class teachers could not be more proud of how well all of the children completed the applications and in their ability to give very articulate speeches to their peers. After a tightly fought contest was had and each class now has one elected school council member. WELL DONE to the all of the children who applied for the position and for those who were short-listed and gave amazing speeches - showing a lot of confidence and maturity.

The school council members this year for Redlands are:

Year 2	BA - Faye	PP/AH - James
Year 3	GG - Lachlan	AT/CC - Emily
Year 4	RB - Scarlet	LH/PH – Bruce/Amelia
Year 5	DS - Sam/Daisy	SP – Poppy/Layla
Year 6	LR – Skye	SL – Charlie

We are equally proud of our Year 6's who put themselves forward for our House Captain and Vice-Captain Elections. Our brave Year 6's then presented a short speech to their houses, explain why they felt they would make an excellent House Captain. The speeches were all amazing and our Year 6's showed a tremendous amount of courage and resilience. Every child from Year 1 to 6, was then given a ballot paper for their house to vote for the person they wanted to be their House Captain. Mrs Tobin and Mrs Headley counted the ballot papers and are pleased to announce the Redlands House Captains and Vice-Captains for this year:

Whitehead	Lucas	Alyssa
Ladkin	Amber	Jack
Newbold	Rosie	Jacob
Melody	Harrison	Libby

All of the children have impressed us all with their dedication and bravery and we couldn't be more proud of each and every one of them. The elections have reinforced our teaching of British Values and democracy and allowed the children their chance to have a voice. We are looking forward to the wonderful ideas and support our new School Council Representatives and House/Vice Captains will bring to the school and the improvements that will follow.

Regards and very best wishes,

Regards

Mr Jon Brown
Executive Headteacher

Mrs Michelle Tobin
Head of School

Mrs Louise Headley
Assistant Headteacher