

Most reps attended, but unfortunately the Year 7 reps were unable to attend due to Sports Leaders training.

1. The Year 5 reps - Hannah, Thomas H, Thomas B and Tom R - reported back from last week's Pupil Voice Day at PCHS (which they all took part in on behalf of OMS). It involved some drama work about personal histories and bridging gaps between generations. They are visiting the local residential care home later today to perform this drama piece and talk with some of the residents.

2. There was feedback on the launching of our Eco Schools Group, which has mostly attracted Key Stage 2 pupils. Examples of upcoming eco-themed work include the 2018 Outright campaigning project on the topic of air pollution, which will be the focus for PSHE lessons for all classes in Nov/Dec, and also next Monday's Play in a Day which is also about pollution (it involves all Year 7 pupils).

3. It was agreed that the recent installing of 24 new toilet cubicle locks, ie for all pupil toilets, is very good for pupils' sense of safety and privacy in school toilets. This is a result of earlier School Council discussions. Thank you to Mrs Hancock, Mr Lakey and Mr Harding, who all devoted time to dealing with problems and installing the new locks.

4. School Council reps felt it is a shame that the Sponsored Walk could not happen this year and hope it will return next summer. It was agreed that a scaled-down Walk (only Key Stage 3 or only year 8) would still be worthwhile next year. More positively, Year 8 reps talked about plans for Fun Day on 18 July (where Friends of OMS will be selling some refreshments to help boost the fundraising).

5. We agreed to do a sponsorship project for supporting a child through education in Kenya, helping them have the right to an education. This requires raising a monthly sum and we agreed to have a rota for form classes to raise the money, starting in September. Mrs Burton will be asked to explain more to School Council in September.

6. Four reps - Daisy, Dan, Louis and Thomas H - will be the student panel for interviews next Monday. This is for a new teaching assistant to start in September. Dan and Thomas devised some questions.

7. Global Learning Projects will be happening across all year groups at some stage in the last week of this term. These will involve all pupils learning about different countries and doing creative work as part of our RRSA and global citizenship work.

8. We discussed ideas for improving both the House system and the rewards system but need more time when the new School Council is elected in September. There is a record of reps' ideas from this meeting and that will start the discussion in September.

9. Mr Snowdon thanked everyone for contributing to School Council this year and gave special thanks to the outgoing Year 8 reps who will soon be moving on from OMS.

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