

6th September 2024

Student Senate

Dear Parents and Friends of Castle Hill,

In order to provide an environment that allows all members of Castle Hill Primary School community to thrive, we are always open to constructive input and value the opinions of all our pupils. Our School Senate, which is pupil-led and inclusive, ensures that everyone's voice can be heard.

Next week, pupils in each class are invited to give speeches to apply for a Student Senate Representative role. The speech should explain why they think they would be a good candidate for the role. It can be presented to their class in whatever way they wish (speech, video, song etc). Following these speeches, their peers are given the opportunity to vote for two candidates, usually a boy and a girl, who they believe will make a suitable Student Senate representative for their class. Teachers also have the opportunity to vote and can nominate pupils for a wide range of reasons. Using this information, Mr Martin and the Student Senate staff team (Miss Wheble at Rooksdown and Miss Jones at Greenbank) appoint two children from each class and our Student Senate for the year is established.

Miss Jones and Miss Wheble will then announce the elected children during celebration assembly next Friday (20th September).

Once the roles are appointed, class meetings are held regularly, led by the class Student Senate representatives, where topics are discussed and class decisions are made. All of the children in each class are given the opportunity to vote and therefore, every pupil at Castle Hill Primary School plays an active role in the school decision-making process.

Subsequently, the two Student Senate Representatives from each class will present the outcomes in the Student Senate feedback meeting with the Student Senate staff team. The Student Senate Representatives meet regularly with Mr Martin and Miss Wheble at Rooksdown and Mr Martin and Miss Jones at Greenbank.

We look forward to discussing how we can make positive changes to our school this year and are excited to meet our new pupil-led team!

We look forward to working in partnership with you this year.

Miss Jones, Miss Wheble and The Castle Hill Team