

April 2024

Dear families

DMP Parliament Week 2024

During the week commencing **29 April**, Dixons Music Primary will be participating in our annual Parliament Week as part of our enrichment curriculum. The purpose of the week is to educate and inform our students about what Parliament is, what it does and how they can get involved.

Throughout the week, students will be actively involved in a number of Parliament-themed activities designed to promote cultural capital. We will be celebrating Parliament Week by hosting lively debates and quizzes, discussing laws and issues and voting for DMP Members of Parliament. In addition to this, we are inviting all students to come to school on **Friday 3 May** dressed in smart clothes to represent 'business attire'.

We would like to provide all students in years 1-6 with the opportunity to become a DMP Member of Parliament for the duration of Parliament Week. There will be one Member of Parliament elected in each class. As a Member of Parliament, students will attend year group debates as moderators and meet with DMP's House of Lords and Prime Minister, consisting of our Senior Leadership Team. Members of Parliament will also act as assistants to each member of the House of Lords throughout the week.

If students wish to become a Member of DMP's Mock Parliament, students should create a campaign speech stating why they think they would be effective in this role, an example template can be found on the reverse of this letter. Students should be prepared to present their campaign to the rest of their class. All campaigns to become a Member of Parliament are voluntary and should be submitted to class teachers by **Thursday 25 April**. Class teachers will then shortlist four finalists in each class who will then present their campaign in class throughout Parliament Week ahead of voting.

We look forward to receiving applications for DMP's Mock Parliament and, as always, thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Brown
Student Experience and Charities Champion



Name: _____

Now is your opportunity to create a campaign to win votes from your class to become a Member of Parliament. What important issues would you want to discuss? Why should people vote for you? Remember you can create flyers and posters to support your campaign.

1. What would the name of your party be?

2. Which areas would be most important for your party? Choose 3 items from the list below and order them from 1 – 3. Give examples of why each area is important to you – think about the effect of each area on our school.

Education	
Health	
Sports	
School Meals	
Space Travel	
Crime	
Transport	
Environment	
Rest of the world	

3. Write a list of reason as to why people should vote for you.

4. Write a list of cons – why might people choose to vote for someone else and what could you say to change their minds?
