



## GEORGE SPICER INFORMATION SHEET CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

### **What is a class representative?**

A class representative is a parent or carer who represents the other parents/carers of their child's class. We like to suggest that each class has two representatives to share out the responsibilities.

For Reception parents/carers, it can be helpful if one class rep already has a child at the school and one is a parent/carers new to the school, who can then be shown the ropes.

Helping out with this role is also a great way for you to meet and make new friends.

### **What do they do?**

The main responsibilities of the class representatives are to:

- help and encourage parents from the class to meet each other. Think about setting up a Whatsapp Group to help everyone in the class keep in contact – it can be used for everyone to ask questions and remind each other of forthcoming school events such as class trips, parent's evenings and FOGS events.
- welcome new parents of children starting during the year and help introduce them to other parents in the class.
- meet with the Head/Senior Leadership Team once a term – you will act as the interface between the other parents in your class and the school – providing feedback from class parents and telling them what was discussed in the meetings.
- help raise funds for the school by supporting FOGS events, especially Winter Wonderland and the Summer Fun Day by finding volunteers to help out on stalls.
- organise teacher and teaching assistants' cards and gift collections (Christmas and end of year).
- suggest/book an evening out from time to time for a well-deserved social with the other parents and carers in your class.

### **How long do the class representatives undertake their role for?**

Normally for the school year (September – July). You can carry on in the following year or another parent/carers can take over.

### **Are class reps also FOGS members?**

You can be as anyone can join FOGS (who also meet regularly). There is a separate information sheet about FOGS and what they do.

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