

# 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/carer 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/carer 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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