

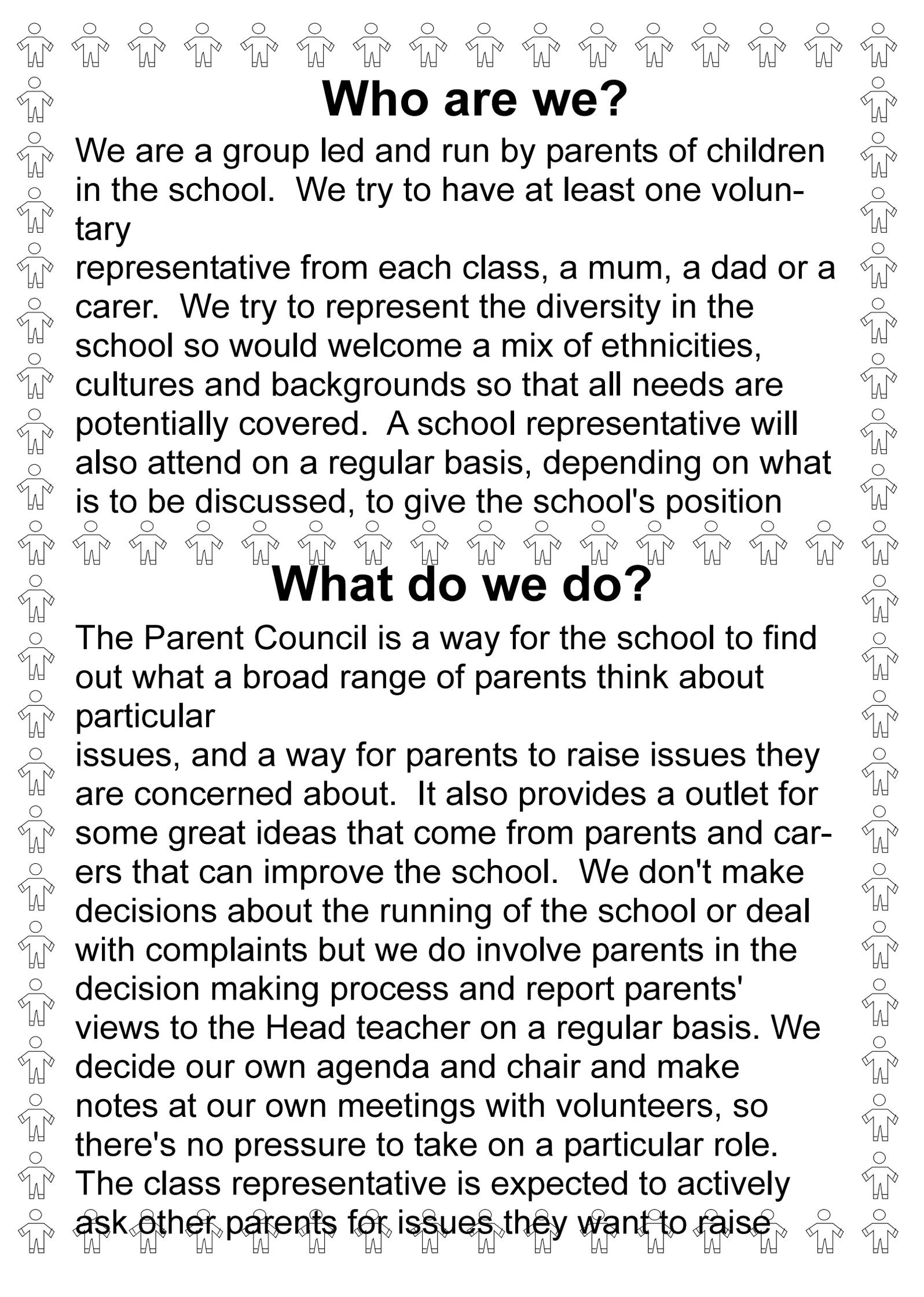
Clifford Road Parent Council



Parents and Carers

Do you want to have a say on things that happen in and around the School?

....then get involved with Clifford Road's Parent Council and make sure your views and ideas are taken into account

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Who are we?

We are a group led and run by parents of children in the school. We try to have at least one voluntary

representative from each class, a mum, a dad or a carer. We try to represent the diversity in the school so would welcome a mix of ethnicities, cultures and backgrounds so that all needs are potentially covered. A school representative will also attend on a regular basis, depending on what is to be discussed, to give the school's position

What do we do?

The Parent Council is a way for the school to find out what a broad range of parents think about particular

issues, and a way for parents to raise issues they are concerned about. It also provides a outlet for some great ideas that come from parents and carers that can improve the school. We don't make decisions about the running of the school or deal with complaints but we do involve parents in the decision making process and report parents' views to the Head teacher on a regular basis. We decide our own agenda and chair and make notes at our own meetings with volunteers, so there's no pressure to take on a particular role. The class representative is expected to actively ask other parents for issues they want to raise

What do we talk about?

There are usually topics that crop up regularly, such as the website, Ofsted reports, school reports, parents evenings and sports days etc. In addition, at each of the meetings we'll decide what we want to talk about at the next meeting and put it on the agenda along with other things suggested by the school or the school office. The agenda is emailed a couple of weeks prior to the meeting so you've got the chance to speak to other parents in your class. Forthcoming agenda items will also appear in the monthly Clifford Road Newsletter.

- Topics that have been discussed over the past year have been those listed above and:
- Hygiene and hand washing
 - Road safety
 - Healthy eating/tuck shop
 - Residential trips
 - Homework policy
 - Drinking water
 - Behaviour policy
 - Internet safety

So, if you have any questions about this group or would like to get involved, speak to a member of staff in the office in the first instance. We are particularly keen to hear from children with special needs and parents where English is

When do we meet?

We meet once every half term, usually on a Friday morning, but this can be flexible.

The meetings usually last no more than an hour.



How to contact us?

If you'd like to contact your class member with a query or suggestion, look at the notice board outside your classroom where you should find a contact point, or ask at the office.

