



2021 Clapham Primary School Parent Representative Role

Parent representatives are important components of the supportive learning culture at Clapham.

Each class “elects” one or more Parent Representative/s early in the year, often at Acquaintance Night.

The representatives provide a link between teachers and the parents. They are invaluable as sources of support, for consultation and feedback for teachers and leadership (checking parent opinion for example). Parent Representatives are members of the Education and Communication Committee.

The role of the Parent Representatives may differ from class to class, but could include the following:

- Supporting the teacher and the culture of the school and class
- Establishing a class communication list
- Welcoming new parents to the class
- Contacting parents for special events
- Assisting other bodies in the school e.g. Governing Council Sub-Committees such as Events
- Welcoming and farewelling families or teachers
- Attending information and question sessions with the Principal/Leadership.

Some parent representatives choose to:

- organise occasional class social functions
- support and organise class functions along with the class teacher
- assist with class support of fundraising activities

Class Parent Representatives are highly valued by the school community, as they are invaluable and promote a strong school community. Each term Parent Representatives attend a meeting of the Education & Communication Sub-Committee where Leadership share school/Department for Education initiatives and the committee works with the leadership representative/s to consult as a group and/or with the wider school community.