



Primary Parliament Autumn 2020



Henry Whipple pupils show off the visuals used during their presentation

The week commencing 16th November saw Primary parliament take place for the second time in a virtual environment. Classrooms and home-offices united on Microsoft teams to engage in workshops that saw pupils from various schools in Nottingham share their creative ideas for the redevelopment of Broadmarsh. The workshops were centred around the ideas of Broadmarsh being a green place, somewhere that children and families can be curious and creative, and a place that celebrates Nottingham's rebellious past.

Liz and Sandra from the Libraries team also joined us to showcase a 'virtual tour' of what the new central library being built next to Broadmarsh will look like inside when finished. The goal is for this to be the "best children's library in the world".



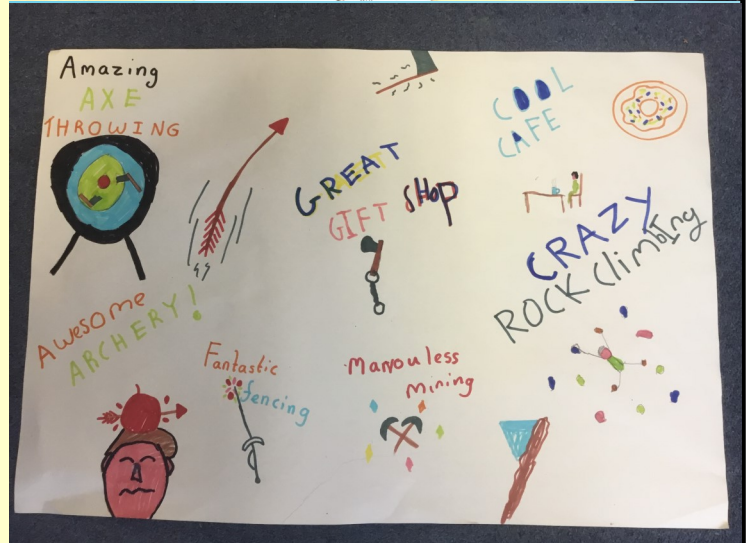


Primary Parliament sessions enable primary-aged children to share their ideas and opinions on City-wide issues as well as helping them develop the confidence to become young leaders of the future.

The pupils worked in teams to come up with some brilliant ideas, including growing plants/vegetables on the roof of Broadmarsh, creating a Robin Hood themed archery range, a community graffiti wall that is wiped clean weekly and a swimming pool inside the caves!

In the afternoon the pupils presented their ideas to other schools in attendance, Council partners and Councillors in various creative ways. Colourful posters and visuals were displayed as well as songs/raps and even a mock news report acted out.

Councillor Cheryl Barnard closed the session by thanking the pupils for their hard work and valuable ideas.



Primary parliament will return in Spring 2021. Sessions are likely to remain online but more information on specific dates and the venue will be announced nearer the time. To reserve a spot or get more information please email Linda Abbott: Linda.Abbott@bulwellacademy.org.uk

The schools involved in Autumn 2020's Primary Parliament have been invited to attend the **Festival of Science and Curiosity** happening in February 2021. Does your school want to get in on the action? Head over to the website! <https://nottsfosac.co.uk/>

If you would like to have your say in our **Broadmarsh consultation** please visit: <https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/engage-nottingham-hub>

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