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Dear Thomas Fairchild Families,

Re: Pupil Groups Launch Announcement

I am delighted to announce the launch of a brand-new initiative that puts your children's voices at the heart of everything we do: our "**Here to be Heard**" **Pupil Advocacy Groups**.

In previous years, we have followed a traditional model where a small number of pupils were selected from each class to act as School Councillors, Reading Ambassadors, or Wellbeing Ambassadors. While these roles were valuable, we want to go further.

We believe that **every** child has a unique perspective and the power to drive change. Therefore, we are moving away from a selection process to an inclusive model where every pupil from Years 1 to 6 in our school will join an advocacy group of their choice.

Earlier this week, I shared the names of our new groups with the children during assembly. The atmosphere was buzzing with ideas! Since then, pupils have been busy voting for the groups they are most passionate about.

The goal of these groups is simple: to give children a platform to have their say and make a tangible impact on a cause that develops our school, or our wider community.

Each group falls under our new theme and focuses on a specific area of development. Your child will be joining one of the following:

- **Here to Manage Money & Here to Combat the Cost of Living:** Developing financial literacy ways to support our community.
- **Here to Be Green & Here to be Remade, Not Wasted:** Taking the lead on sustainability and eco-projects.
- **Here to be Curious and Ask Why:** Promoting inquiry-based learning and pupil voice in the curriculum.
- **Here to be Game Changers:** Looking at the power of inclusive play.
- **Here to be Healthy & Here to Promote Mindfulness:** Focusing on physical and mental well-being.
- **Here to Create & Here to Paint for Progress:** Using the arts as a tool for social change and spreading important messages.

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Key Information

- **Launch Date:** Friday 13th March
- **Schedule:** Every Friday afternoon, from 2.45pm-3.20pm
- **Outcome:** Pupil-led projects that improve our school and community.

We are incredibly excited to see our new pupil groups in action. By dedicating time every Friday afternoon to these causes, we are ensuring that our pupils don't just learn about citizenship - they live it.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our children find their voices. If you have any questions about these advocacy groups, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "MTrahair". The letters are cursive and connected.

Matt Trahair
Headteacher