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Democracy at Outwood



**Some of Outwood's School Councillors
Liz Truss and her speech about
looking after the country.
Liz Truss meeting the Queen Elizabeth
II and the new King.**



The United Kingdom is a parliamentary democracy. The UK is a union of four countries: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. It is also a constitutional monarchy. Ministers govern in the name of the sovereign, who is the head of state and government, commander-in-chief of all the armed forces of the Crown and the supreme governor of the established Church of England. The constitution is unwritten, and relies on a combination of statutes, common law and convention.

Recently, Liz Truss became the Prime Minister of the UK. Members of the Conservative party voted for her to replace Boris Johnson as their leader. She becomes the third woman UK prime minister – all Conservatives- and the fourth PM in just six years. Some people may say that her experience has earned her the position of Prime Minister. Liz Truss only met the Queen once. Whilst Boris Johnson met with the Queen many more times.

Prior to becoming PM, Liz Truss has a number of government positions. Liz Truss is the youngest female cabinet minister in UK history. She became MP for South West Norfolk in 2010 and since then has had lots of government jobs: Education Minister, Secretary to the Treasury and Secretary of State for the Justice Treasury and so much more.

FACT FILE

Full Name: Mary Elizabeth Truss
Date of Birth: 26.7.1975
Place of Birth: Oxford
Parents: John Kenneth Truss
Priscilla Mary Grasby
Spouse: Hugh O'Leary
Children: 2 Teenage girls, Liberty and Frances
Before Politics: Liz Truss was an accountant

As Prime Minister, Liz Truss has a number of issues on her "to do" list that she would class as urgent. The first thing she wants to do is help people cope with the prices going up for things they need to live, including food and energy.

Secondly, she wants to help the health service, the NHS. The waiting lists for patients have been growing to records levels since Covid began. Thirdly, she wants to tackle climate change and finally deal with the Ukraine war. Liz Truss has now resigned as of 20/10/22 and is the shortest serving Prime Minister in UK parliamentary history.

Here at Outwood, we believe strongly in the British value of Democracy. Last week, each class had an election for the new school councillors. These are the children who were democratically elected ...

- FS2 : Hollie, Harris and Poorvika
- Yr 1: Oliver and Miah
- Yr 2 : Max and Edie
- Yr 3: Edward and Fatima
- Yr 4 : Farris and Lillie-Grace
- Yr 5: Hibba and Jackson
- Yr 6: Owen and Isabelle

Their collective vision is to help our school become an even better and brighter place - even better than it already is! The councillors want to promote the school, develop children's learning and make Outwood the best school in the local area or even Stockport! Our councillors in Reception want to make everybody in our school smile; the year 1 and 5 councillors want to purchase more PE equipment and buy some new toys. Year 6 councillors promise to help out all around the school along with the others.

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QUEEN ELIZABETH II

End of a reign

Here at Outwood, we are very sad at the death of our beloved Queen, Queen Elizabeth II. She was the longest reigning monarch in the whole of History, passing one of the most famous Queen's (Queen Victoria) by six years.

The Queen's passing was upsetting but her death brought a lot of countries together. Over 4.7 billion people watched the Queen's funeral compared to 27 million people who watched her coronation. People travelled to London from all over the United Kingdom to show their love of the Queen as well as their support for the Royal family. World leaders and Heads of State attended the funeral. Even some of the children from Outwood Primary School travelled to London to pay their respects. Imogen from Yr 4 queued for ten hours to see the Queen lying in state. On behalf of the whole school, Theo from Yr 3, lay the Outwood's book of remembrance at Buckingham Palace gates. In this book, each year group wrote lovely and thoughtful messages. We hope that someone from the Royal Family finds and reads the book and that it brings them comfort at this sad time. (We know it was spotted by her majesty's chief inspector of Ofsted!)

World leaders and heads of State attending the Queen's funeral



Look who has spotted our card?!