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Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our work on British Values and democracy this afternoon, the children were asked to come up with ideas to make a positive change to our school. They generated a range of thoughtful suggestions and then voted for their favourite.

The winning idea was to invite Mrs McManus' dog, Bessie, to come into school on a regular basis. Many of the children in Years 1–6 will remember Bessie's visit last term and how much they enjoyed interacting with her. The older pupils also had the opportunity to take some responsibility for her care during her time in school, which they found very rewarding.

As before, there is a thorough risk assessment in place for this activity, and Bessie will always be supervised by a school adult.

Please complete the short Microsoft Form linked below to indicate whether you are happy for your child to interact with Bessie whilst she is in school:

<https://forms.office.com/e/XRfRS0Vvdc>

Even if you completed this form last time, we kindly ask that you complete it again for this academic year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes,  
Mrs Saunders

