## **Dear Parents and Carers**

## "This House believes that St. Monica's needs a Debating & Mooting Society."



Hi - I'm Jamie, father of Kaodi and Zinachi in Year 6. I'll shortly be starting a new after-school club. It will be for young legal eagles in Year 6, and will run on certain Wednesdays for an hour.

It's going to be a lot of fun and the children will learn many things including: how to debate; creative thinking; public speaking; body language; speech writing and delivery.

## "You can't handle the truth!"

Mooting shares common elements with debating, however it simulates a courtroom. Here your child will be introduced to the legal system; learn basic criminal law; and prosecute or defend in the trial of Goldilocks (who is facing charges of burglary and criminal damage.)

My background is in law (barrister), and I love a courtroom drama. I hope your child will join us in these proceedings. As the great Lionel Hutz once said: *"Can you imagine a world without lawyers?"* 

## If your child would like to take part, there will be a £35 charge for the 7 sessions – with all money being paid directly to The Friends.

| Time     | 15:15 – 16 | 6:15                    |          |
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|          |            |                         |          |
| February | Week 1     | Wednesday February 21st | Debating |
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| March    | Week 2     | Wednesday March 6th     | Debating |
|          | Week 3     | Wednesday March 20th    | Debating |
|          | Week 4     | Wednesday March 27th    | Mooting  |

| April | Week 5 | Wednesday April 17th | Mooting |  |
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|       | Week 6 | Wednesday April 24th | Mooting |  |

| May   Week /   Wednesday May 1 <sup>st</sup>   The Trial |
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To register your interest in the Debating & Mooting Society, please email me the name and class of your child: <u>jamieokoro@outlook.com</u>

Thanks

Jamie