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# Democracy Days

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## And the winner is....

After an incredible week, we finally had the much anticipated announcement! We are delighted to announce Tafari as the new Prime minister, supported by his deputy, Vincent! Huge congratulations to both of you and all of the Blue Justice party! Please read on to find out about what the announcement assembly was like and to enjoy an exclusive first interview with our new PM!



*Drawn by Yaseera*

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# The Announcement!



It was 9:30 in the morning; the sun was beaming down on the whole of Mill-fields Community School. All the leaders were very nervous whilst Vicky was introducing the event. Everyone was biting their nails, desperately waiting for the announcement of this year's prime minister. As everyone held their breath, Vicky suddenly yelled out the winner... it was Tafari! All the students, especially those belonging to the blue team, jumped up with excitement, cheering deafeningly! After everyone became silent, Tafari gave a great speech to the school.

With immense pride in his voice, he said: "I would like to say a massive thank you to you guys for trusting me. I have no words to express my gratitude. I am proud to be honoured by being chosen to be prime minister for this school. I promise to try my very best to do everything for this school...thank you!"

Inside the building, we got Tafari's teacher, Theo, to answer a few questions based on how he was feeling. He told us, "I was over the moon when I heard Tafari's name being called for prime minister!" We interviewed one of the other leaders from another party and they graciously said, "I am very proud of Tafari being prime minister."

May we take this opportunity to say huge congratulations to Tafari on behalf of the whole media team—we have every confidence that you will do an incredible job!

*By Hamzah*



# First interview with the new PM!



Amongst all the excitement of the announcement, we were lucky enough to secure an exclusive first interview with the newly elected Prime minister!

**Q1: How did you feel when you were announced Prime Minister?**

“I felt a great relief and a bolt of joy!”

**Q2: Did you think that you were going to win?**

“Yes, I knew I was favourite to win.”

**Q3: What do you most want to achieve?**

“More anti-bullying workshops.”

**Q4: Who was your biggest competition?**

“The Triumphant Triangles and Universal Greens.”

**Q5: What is the first policy you will introduce?**

“Extra cultural days in the school.”

*By Victor & Charlie*

# Westminster: Who does what in the Cabinet?



*The Cabinet Room, 10 Downing Street*

*By Evelyn & Grace*

Amidst the political turmoil of the last few days, we thought it might be helpful to explain the role of different members of the cabinet, which is the senior decision making body of the government of the United Kingdom.

**Chancellor of the Exchequer** - The government's chief financial minister who is responsible for raising revenue through taxation or borrowing and for controlling public spending.

**Chief secretary to the treasury** - The chief secretary is responsible for public expenditure, including: spending reviews and strategic planning in year spending control, public sector pay and pensions.

**Secretary of state for defence** - The secretary of state defence has overall responsibility for the business of the department. Responsibilities include: strategic operations and operational strategy, including as a member of the National Security Council, defence planning, program and resource allocation.

**Secretary of state for health and social care** - The secretary of state is responsible for the department of health and social care including: overall financial control, oversight of NHS delivery and performance and oversight of social care policy.

**Foreign Secretary** - The secretary for the state of foreign, commonwealth and development affairs, also referred to as the foreign secretary, is a secretary of state in the government of the United Kingdom with overall responsibility for the work of the foreign, commonwealth and development office.

**Minister for women and equalities** - The minister for women and equalities is a ministerial position in the United Kingdom which leads the government equalities office. This is an independent department within the wider cabinet office that has responsibility for addressing all forms of discrimination, with particular emphasis on gender inequality.

# Who could replace Boris Johnson?



*(Rishi Sunak, Liz Truss and Ben Wallace)*

Yesterday, Boris Johnson resigned but he will remain prime minister while the Conservative party decides who to be their new leader. Here are a few candidates: Rishi Sunak, Liz Truss and Ben Wallace.

Rishi Sunak is a British politician who served as a **Chancellor of the Exchequer** from 2020 to 2022, having previously served as **chief secretary to the treasury** from 2019 to 2020. As a member of the Conservative party, he has been a member of the parliament for Richmond since 2015. Rishi Sunak was born on the 12th of May 1980 (age 42 years old). Widely recognized by the public and appreciated for the furlough scheme he set up during the pandemic, his reputation was damaged when it was revealed he was fined for participating in unauthorized events during the lockdown.

Mary Elizabeth Truss, more commonly known as Liz Truss, has been a member of parliament for south west Norfolk since 2010. She has served as **foreign secretary** since 2021 and **minister for women and equalities** since 2019. Liz Truss was born on the 26th July 1975 (age 46 years old). She is known to be very confident, tough and more on the right wing side of the party. Indeed, she has called herself a 'disrupter-in-chief'.

Robert Ben Lobban Wallace, more well known as Ben Wallace, is a British politician and former soldier currently serving as **Secretary of state for defence** since 24th of July 2019 and is a member of parliament for Wyre and Preston North, formerly Lancaster and Wyre since 2005. He was born on the 15th May 1970 (age 52 years old). A former soldier, he is widely respected for his plain speaking and no nonsense brand of politics.

Boris Johnson resigned because many of his co-workers lost faith in him including Sajid Javid (**secretary of state for health and social care**)

All the highlighted roles have been explained in the previous article

*By Evelyn & Grace*



# Question of the Day



**Thursday's question was** *'Which newspaper/magazine did Boris Johnson edit?'*

**The answer is:** *The Spectator*

**Friday's question is:**

*The NHS was formed under which prime ministers rule?*

- A) Winston Churchill
- B) Clement Attlee
- C) Edward Heath
- D) Margaret Thatcher
- E) Tony Blair