

22nd September 2025

Dear Families,

In History, Templar are learning about the 'Votes for Women' campaigns during the late Victorian era up to the impact of the First World War (1914-1918). As part of their learning, we have discovered that actually, several men were not entitled to vote either because there were such strict rules. This unit is therefore about Fair and Just Democracy for all (which is a British Value).

We would like to finish our unit in style on Monday 20th October. Templar class will be hosting a peaceful protest about Votes for Women (and all men) in the style of the Suffragists. The Suffragettes, who were frustrated by the lack of progress from peaceful protests, led more aggressive campaigns. We shall not be violent of course, but we shall mock up supervised Suffragette demonstrations.

To make it a fully immersive experience, I would like to invite the children to come into school in Victorian or Edwardian-style clothing on **Monday 20th October**. The Suffragettes and Suffragists usually dressed differently (see ideas below). Boys can either come dressed as Victorian/Edwardian gentleman, some of whom supported the women whilst some did not, or dressed as a policeman to monitor the demonstrations.

Outfits do not need to be new or elaborate: homemade, re-used or recycled outfits are often the best!

Regards,

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Suffragists



Suffragettes



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