# MONARCHY



Welcome to our presentation about what a monarchy is and the rules we have come up with ourselves.

#### WHAT IS A MONARCH?

A monarch is a sovereign head of state, such as a king, queen, or emperor.

Usually a monarch inherits the lawful right to exercise laws and powers across a country.

#### FAMOUS KINGS AND QUEENS

Do you recognise any of these monarchs?









#### HOW THINGS HAVE CHANGED

- \* As time has gone by many Kings and Queens lost their powers over their lands. Instead the people rose up against their rulers. This is often referred to as a revolution. A famous revolution was the French Revolution.
- \* However, in the United Kingdom power has gradually been handed over to the government from the ruling monarch. Now the people of the United Kingdom can vote, in a general election, for a political party to represent their ideas and wishes.

#### **Parliament and Government**

#### United Kingdom – an example of a change in power

**DO NOW**: What are the three parts that make up parliament?

Parliament is now made up of The House of Commons, The House of Lords and The Monarchy.



#### THE HOUSE OF COMMONS



#### THE HOUSE OF LORDS



- Queen Elizabeth's rule does extend across the world; she's the head of state of 15 different countries.
- However, not all countries have a King or Queen as their head of state. Many countries are republics which means they may have a president as their head of state. The United States of America is a good example of a republic state.

## **FINLAND**

- In the past Finland had been governed by the Russian monarchy.
- In December 1917, Finland declared her independence from Russia.
- After new elections, the Parliament adopted a republican constitution in 1919.

#### KING MANUEL II OF PORTUGAL

Manuel II (15 November 1889 – 2 July 1932) was the last King of Portugal.

His reign ended with the finish of the monarchy on the 5 October 1910 due to a revolution (uprising). Manuel lived the rest of his life in exile (hiding).

Portugal now has a president as their head of state, as well as a prime minster and a parliament.

#### IS IT IMPORTANT TO HAVE RULES?

- In our class we spent a lot of time discussing why we should have rules.
- We decided that it is important to have rules otherwise there would be no stability.
- Here are some examples of some of the rules we thought were important to us.

### RULES

- Do not hurt or kill another human being
- Treat everyone equally
- Be respectful, honest and kind to others
- Always use your manners
- Do not steal

