



What is a school council?

A school council is a group of pupils who meet regularly to discuss suggestions put forward by pupils in their class with staff members to improve school.

What does a school council do?

- A school council usually meets with a member of staff to improve school or to discuss suggestions to problems.
- Members of the school council are responsible for carrying out the ideas that have been put forward and agreed upon.
- Each year, members of each class in Y3-Y6 will normally elect one representative to be members of the school council. The new school council will then meet to elect officers, such as a Chair and Secretary.

Why do we have a school council?

School councils are a great way for children to take on leadership roles, promote the voice of the student body, problem solve and impact their community. A council serves as the voice for an entire student body and actively works with teachers to promote a better learning environment.

What person qualities should a school councillor have?

A school councillor should be:

- reliable
- responsible
- friendly and approachable
- good at listening to everyone
- able to remember things or take notes to support memory
- honest and sensible
- hardworking

What does a School Councillor need to do?

- Attend meetings, turn up on time and show interest.
- Bring a notebook to each meeting.
- Look after their notebook and put any key tasks / messages inside.
- Listen to the views and opinions of their class and bring them to the meeting.
- Report everyone's ideas and opinions even if they are not their own.
- Bring ideas to the meeting that will make the school a better place.
- Feedback information to their class.
- Wear their badge so people know that they are a councillor.
- Collect the views of pupils from both their class and younger children.
- Present some assemblies with a member of staff.
- Represent the school.
- Implement any changes that have been agreed upon by the school council.