

Why do we have a Rights Respecting School Council?

The School's Council is an ideal opportunity for pupils to get more involved in the way the school is run. The RRS Council benefits the whole school, pupils and teachers. It provides opportunities for pupils to communicate their feelings as well as discuss decisions that are made. Councillors develop skills such as confidence, communication and negotiation. It is the responsibility of each Councillor to ensure that they express both their own views and the views of all the other pupils they represent.

Who can be a member of the School's Council?

We have an active School's Council with one child from each class representing their fellow pupils from Year R to Year 6. Each councillor is elected by their classmates at the beginning of the school year after a short presentation explaining why they should be elected.

What do we do?

Members of the Council take part in discussions and votes and also feed back any relevant information to their class. At times they are requested to ask their class for ideas or take class votes relating to discussions by the Council. Members meet regularly with Mr Hoyle, Mrs Creighton and Mrs Hussain.

Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference for School Council Meetings have been agreed as follows:

- One pupil from each class from Year R to Year 6 will form the Rights Respecting School Council.
- Meetings will be held at least once a month.
- Ground rules will be established for meetings.
- School Councillors must report back to their classes after each meeting.
- School Councillors must wear their badges and smart school uniform.
- School Councillors must demonstrate exemplary behaviour at all times.

Our School Council will be successful if:

- We have regular meetings.
- We have good communication.
- We have discussions that focus on action.
- We all work together.