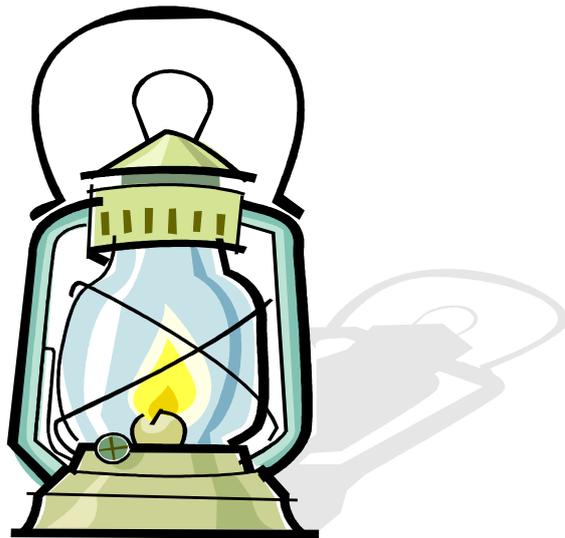




SCHOOL COUNCIL POLICY



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“Shine like a lantern in the presence of the Lord.”

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The purpose of School Council

School Council is the pupils' voice in our school. The councillors meet every half term and discuss the issues raised by their classmates. Other responsibilities of the school councillors can include:

- Deciding on what fundraising events to hold and where the money should go.
- Deciding on the main annual charities.
- Deciding on and keeping their own budget.
- Making decisions on themed days, evaluating what worked and what did not work, and considering how they can be made more enjoyable.
- Discussing and decide on school rules, lunch time rules and playground rules.
- Judging competitions.
- Interviewing new staff.

School Council is led by Mr Hounsome, who takes minutes of each meeting and publishes a copy to the Head teacher. The Head Teacher considers the children's ideas and communicates these to families through the school newsletter.

School Council Elections

When electing school councillors, children need to be reminded that they are not voting for friends but for a suitable school councillor. This person will need to be:

- Confident
- Articulate
- Full of ideas
- Able to lead
- Listen
- Kind

All children in each class are asked if they would like to be a school councillor. All children are eligible unless they have previously been a school councillor. Each child is given time to explain to the class why they would be suitable for the role of class councillor. Pupils who wish to be considered to become a school councillor have their names put on the board. Each child then votes for their preferred girl and boy candidate on a piece of paper (voting needs to be secret). The teacher then counts the votes and announces to the class the names of the new school councillors.