

## School Council – Report September 2024



The newly formed School Council, elected by their peers as part of the school's democracy process, met to discuss their role and responsibilities in supporting staff and contributing to a positive school environment. The meeting began with a warm welcome, followed by discussions on key topics, which are detailed below.

### Safety in School

Safety was a key topic during the meeting, and the council was confident that they understood how the school keeps everyone safe. The children had already participated in a fire drill and discussed its importance. They were also aware that Year 5 and Year 6 students were currently undergoing their "Walking Home Alone" assessments to ensure they are prepared for independent travel. The council agreed that these measures contribute to a secure and supportive school environment.

### School Council Role and Responsibilities

The children shared their understanding of their role in making the school a better place. They acknowledged that as council members, they were voted in to help solve problems, organise fundraising events, and act as role models. Their contributions aim to benefit everyone, creating a positive environment for both students and staff. Council members were also presented with badges as a symbol of their new role.

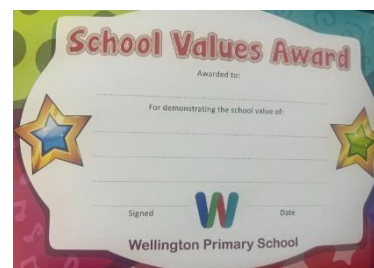


### Class Charters and Values

The council discussed the importance of class charters, emphasizing values such as kindness, respect, and support for one another. Each class has its charter displayed, reinforcing respectful behaviour and collective responsibility. The council expressed a shared commitment to helping each other and creating a welcoming atmosphere, particularly for new students.

### School Values Awards

The council explored how school values are reflected in behaviour and recognized through awards. They welcomed the current system and debated whether to introduce a voting process for the "School Value of the Week" for individual classes. It was agreed that the values should remain as they are for assemblies, and voting slips for nominating the value would be created, with further details to be finalized.





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### **European Day of Languages – 26th September**



The School Council shared some reflections on how European Day was celebrated in school. The children enjoyed learning new words and phrases from different languages across Europe. They mentioned that it was a fun and engaging experience, with activities that helped them appreciate the diversity of languages spoken across the continent. The cultural exposure sparked curiosity, and they suggested similar events in the future to explore more languages and cultures.

### **Upcoming Events: Poetry Day, Science Week, and Trips**

The council discussed preparations for Poetry Day on 3rd October and the upcoming Science Week, which will run from 4th to 11th October. In addition, a Cake Sale is scheduled for 4th October to support the Reading Café initiative. Details of the Cake Sale and Space Poem competition will be shared with parents via parent mail and Google Classroom.



The council members were also excited about the upcoming school trips, including visits to Stonehenge, Museums, and PGL and Big Camp. These events are highly anticipated, providing opportunities for outdoor learning, team-building, and cultural exploration.

### **Other Discussions**

The meeting ended with the council members enthusiastically taking on their new responsibilities. Several students volunteered to create posters to promote upcoming events, such as Poetry Day and the Cake Sale. The Year 6 councillors focused on designing voting slips for the weekly School Value award, furthering their commitment to fostering a positive and value-driven school culture. The School Council is off to a strong start, demonstrating leadership and teamwork as they support the school in its various initiatives.

In addition, the School Council expressed that they would warmly welcome governors to join their meetings in the future to discuss school matters and share their thoughts. This would give the council an opportunity to hear from the governors and work with them on making the school an even better place for everyone.

Date of next meeting Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024