



School Council Executive Committee 2023 -2024

Chairperson – Ellie

Vice Chairperson – Olesia

Secretary – Rory

Treasurer – Cole

School Council successes for the Year 2023 -2024

The School Council have been a fantastic school council and have been committed to achieving and organising many wonderful events within our school. Here are their successes they have achieved throughout this year.

Mode Shift stars Bronze Award – School travel plan

The School Council have maintained the Mode shift stars Bronze award status and we have been actively working on our school travel plan to achieve our travel plan targets. We will be continuing this next year into 2025.

We have completed travel surveys for every class in school and we used that information to inform our Walk to School Week in the summer term to encourage the children to walk to school and look after the environment. The School Council delivered Walk to School assemblies across school and encouraged children to walk to school by organising and delivering the walk to school passports in every class across school. This was a very successful event with a high number of children walking to school. This year most classes across KS1 and KS2 had every child walking part or all the way to school during that week.

Democracy Week

Democracy is one of our British Values at Lowton West. This year, the children have taken part in class assemblies and activities as part of Democracy Week to help them gain a better understanding of what Democracy is and how having a voice is important. The School Council and Eco Committee help to give that voice within school and last week we invited the children from Years 2 to 6 to put themselves forward as a class representative for this school year. Children who would like to stand for election have presented speeches to their classes this week and we held an Election day in the hall to allow the voting process to

happen. Thank you to all the children who took part this week, your presentations have been amazing!

Red Nose Day

The School Council supported Red Nose Day by organising activities across school. The children were asked to wear something red and donate £1. The School Council delivered assemblies to both Key stage 1 and 2 to explain the importance of the fundraising the Comic Relief do. The children were very confident and clear when delivering their ideas. Well done School Council! They organised competitions in both KS1 & KS2 and judged and awarded prizes to 1st and 2nd prizes in Reception, Y1 & Y2, Y3 & Y4 and Y5 & Y6. The final total raised was £594.00.

Children in Need

The School Council supported Children in Need by organising activities across school. The children were asked to wear something Spotty or yellow and donate £1. The School Council delivered assemblies to both Key stage 1 and 2 to explain the importance of the fundraising the Children in Need do. The children were very confident and clear when delivering their ideas. Well done School Council! They organised competitions in both KS1 & KS2 and judged and awarded prizes to 1st and 2nd prizes in Reception, Y1 & Y2, Y3 & Y4 and Y5 & Y6. The final total raised was £503.00

Meeting the School Governors

On Friday 8th December 2023, the School Council received a visit from our link governor, Mrs Blewitt. The members of the school council were asked to share what the school council's role is within our school and how we are elected to the council. We shared with them our successes so far for the school year and what we were working on at that moment. Mrs Blewitt was very interested in hearing our views and talking to us about our school. We were proud to share our achievements. Mrs Blewitt was part of our meeting that looked at playground provision (Reception Area) and playground signs across KS1 and KS2,

Fun time Friday activity ideas

The School Council spoke with the children as part of their role in delivering pupil voice. They asked the children in their classes about what they would like school to offer in terms of ideas for Fun time Friday activities. The children brought back a fantastic range of ideas and collated 2 lists for staff in school. Miss Green collected the ideas for Fun time Friday and shared them

with staff at the weekly Staff Meeting. Staff then chose an activity from the list to ensure the children's reward afternoon was something they would enjoy.

Playground Provision

Mrs Willoughby asked the School Council to choose a welcome sign for the front of school and playground markings for the Reception area and to choose updated signs for both the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 areas. The children chose a welcome sign that incorporated the languages of the children within our school community after discussions with their classes. They also agreed playground markings for the Reception Area.

Activities for Premier Sports – Lunchtimes

The Premier sport staff, who deliver the provision at lunchtimes, attended a School Council meeting to ask the children what activities KS1 and KS2 would like at lunchtimes. The School Council members went back to their classes and brought back ideas that were then used in each classes Premier Sports time slot.

Next Steps – 2024 -2025

In the next few weeks, we will be electing a new School Council and we will announce who will be continuing the excellent work that last year's council implemented throughout school. We will keep you updated.

Watch this space for more news later this term...