





### Constitution 2020-21

The School Council is made up of sixteen positions across St Uny CE Academy. Each member has been elected by their classes, having submitted a manifesto and presented this to their age group. The role of the School Council is to represent pupil voice across the school and ensure the views and opinions of all pupils are considered during the planning, implementation and evaluation of strategies, resources and initiatives.

### The Role of a School Councillor:

The role of a School Council Member:

- You will attend regular fortnightly meetings with other School Council members from each class.
  - You will take ideas and suggestions your class have to discuss at School Council meetings.
- You will bring back ideas, information and suggestions to your class and encourage your class to listen, discuss, share their views and, where necessary, vote on actions that need to be taken.
  - You will help to organise charity events throughout the year.
  - You will encourage the pupils in your class to be aware of their school environment and to respect and care for it.
- Some of the more senior School Council members will be responsible for specific tasks: School Council Chairperson (leads the meetings). School Council Secretary (writes the minutes of the meetings). School Council Treasurer (manages the money with link teacher).

## **Qualities of a School Councillor:**

As an individual, you may bring lots of additional skills and abilities to this role in particular. However, to be a successful School Council member you need to:

- Be reliable.
- Be proud of our school and want our school to be the best it can be.
- Listen carefully to the views of others and take their ideas on board.
- Represent the majority view of your class, even if you don't agree!
- Commit time to this role and accept that you may need to do things during break times and/or lunchtimes.
  - Be enthusiastic.
  - Be kind and respectful.
    - Be patient.

# **Meeting Guidelines:**

As a School Council, we meet monthly to talk about our school. We share our own ideas and those of our classmates and we aim to raise funds to support different causes. When we meet, it is important that there are guidelines we follow to make sure the meetings run in an orderly fashion and that everyone gets their say.

#### Before the meeting:

• KS2 reps will collect EYFS and KS1 reps from classrooms and escort them to meetings.

#### During the meeting:

- The Chair / Co Chair will open the meeting and there will be a set agenda of things to discuss.
- All decisions will be decided through a voting system, with the most popular choice being the chosen option.
- During each part of the meeting, all councillors will be given the opportunity to share their views and ideas.
- Only one person can speak at a time, this means that everyone's views will be listened to.
  - Councillors are able to raise 'Any Other Business' at the end of a meeting.
    - Councillors must share the views and ideas of their classmates.

#### After the meeting:

- The Head of School will update the School Website and School Council noticeboard with the latest minutes of the meeting.
  - KS2 reps will support EYFS and KS1 reps in feedback to classes.

	Signed:	Chair
	Signed:	Vice Chair
	Signed:	Head Boy
	Signed: _	Head Girl
Signed:		Link Person (Head of School)