

What is the Role of the Parent Council?

The Parent Council helps to create an environment where all parents know that their views matter, and where they feel confident and comfortable putting them forward. They work on behalf of all parents to discuss educational matters that are of importance to all. They do not get involved in individual matters relating to children or staff in the school.

Funds

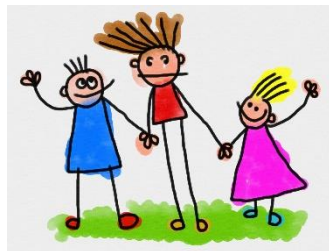
The Parent Council fundraises throughout the year to raise money for the enhancement of the children's education. - eg Primary 7 presnets, trophies, school trips, transport to events, pantomime with partner school... All their work is vitality important to the school, as it helps support so many activities and reduces costs to parents.

Protecting Vulnerable Groups

It is not a requirement that all members of a Parent Council be PVG checked (Protection of Vulnerable Groups) before joining the Parent Council.

Public Liability Insurance

There will be some circumstances where Parent Council activities must be covered by Public Liability Insurance e.g. social events and school fayres if being organised by the Parent Council. It is important that Parent Councils take the advice of our Head Teacher or Local Authority who can advise them of insurance arrangements in their area.

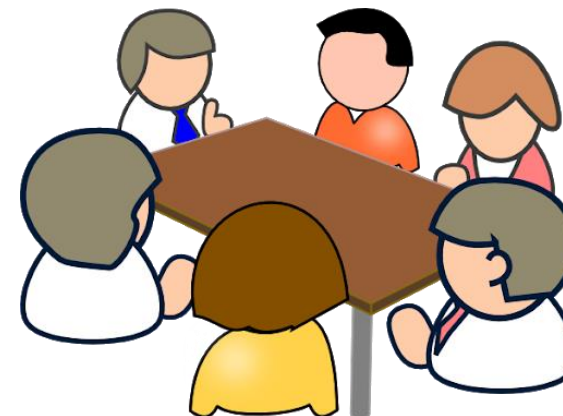


Please come along and join us - we are always happy to welcome new members.



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A Parent/ Carer's Guide



The Parental Involvement Act (2006) makes provision for Parent Councils to play an active role in supporting parental involvement in the work and life of the school, while also giving parents opportunities to express their views on their child's education and learning.

Parent Forum

Every parent who has a child at our school is a member of the Parent Forum. The Parent Council is a group of parents who have chosen to represent the Parent Forum. As a member of the Parent Forum, each parent can expect to:

- Receive information about the school and its activities
- Hear about what partnership with parents means in our school
- Be invited to be involved in ways and times that suit you
- Identify issues you want the parent council to work on with the school
- Be asked your opinion by the parent council on issues relating to the school and education it provides
- Work in partnership with staff
- Enjoy taking part in school life in whatever way possible



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The Parent Council is a group of volunteer parents who represent all the parents of children at our school.

Objectives of the Parent Council:

- Promote partnership between the school, the pupils and the parents
- Develop and engage in activities which support and promote the education and welfare of the pupils
- Identify and represent the views of parents on the education provided and other matters affecting the education and welfare of pupils

Our Parent Council has -

- Chairperson - who should always be a parent or carer
- Vice Chair - who can help the chair and stand in when they are absent
- Secretary/Clerk - to take minutes and handle all communication
- Treasurer - to keep a good record of all money related matters

The majority of Parent Council members should be drawn from the Parent Forum e.g. parents of children at the school, but others can be invited to join as co-opted members. These could include teachers, pupils, community partners. It is up to the Parent Council to work out the structure that suits us.

The Parent Council meets regularly to discuss various matters. There is an AGM and communication sessions with the Parent Forum.

In addition to the members of the Parent Council, the following people attend and contribute to the meetings:

- Head Teacher
- Principal Teacher
- Class Teachers or members of the Pupil Council may attend if appropriate

