



St Nicolas CE Primary School

Pupil Council



Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A way for people to get the view of the whole school. A way for people to raise ideas and issues that they want to be addressed or want help with. A way for the whole school to communicate with each other quickly and frequently. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The communications hub. Keep staff, students, parents, governors and visitors up to date with what is going on across the school. Encourage everyone to get involved. Help make things happen. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action Teams are set up by pupils to address an issue they care about. Their purpose is to make a change in the school or wider community. They give pupils a chance to become leaders, make a change and pursue their interests.
How do you get to be on it?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Everyone participates through their class. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pupils are elected to the School Council, but other students with particular skills can be seconded at various times. Additional Year 6 (usually former School Councillors) may be seconded to help share the workload as year 6 pupils are elected as chairperson, vice-chair, treasurer and secretary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anyone can join an Action Team, but then need to attend meetings and pull their weight. To start a new Action Team you need an idea, some people to help you and a member of staff to sponsor you.
How often does it happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class meetings happen every other week, usually during 'class assembly' time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The whole school council at least once a month. Subcommittees when needed. Leadership team at least once every other week. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As frequently as needed. Action teams meet regularly until the project they are working on is completed.
Who runs it?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chaired by one of the School Councillors from the class, usually alternating. Can be chaired by anyone in the class by agreement in order to give other pupils a chance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meetings are run by chairperson or vice-chair who are elected by the whole School Council. The secretary and treasurer help run the school council. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meetings are run by a chairperson and secretary chosen by the other members of the Action Team.
How does it work?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has an agenda set by the class. Runs in the same way every time using the code of conduct. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short regular meeting to make sure all issues are covered. Then small sub-groups meet to carry out work. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decided by the Action Team.
What does it do?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Share feedback from action taken by the school council and project groups. Discussion of whole school issues in small groups. Raises issues and generates ideas for the School Council. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prioritise and ideas and issues from Class Meetings to the relevant Action Team or staff member. Co-ordinates the diary so that events put on by Action Teams don't clash. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designs and runs activities, campaigns and events in the school and wider community.
Who does it report to?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Views shared in class and sent to the School Council. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collects data from and provides updates for Class Meetings and Action Teams. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> They report their action points to the School Council.

