

St Columb Minor Academy

School Council Constitution

July 2018

Aims:

To give children a voice when decisions are made

To make our school a better place

To make sure people in our school are happy about decisions made that affect them.

Members:

1 representative per class (Year 2 to Year 4), 2 reps per class in Year 1, Year 5 and Year 6

Children cannot be re elected to School Council until they reach Year 5/6 to give as many children as possible a chance to represent their class. The Year 5/6 classes will each elect an equivalent number of boys/girls.

Elections

These will be held at the beginning of each school year. Children who wish to be considered as the rep for their class will tell their class mates why they feel they would be the right person to represent their views. Children will then vote. This should be a secret ballot in KS2 classes. Candidates may vote for themselves.

Officers

These will be elected at the first School Council meeting of the year by School Council members.

School Council members will bring the views of their classmates to School Council. They will vote and make decisions on behalf of their classmates. They will report back to their classmates about decisions made. They will

represent the school at events as and when needed. Older school councillors will support younger ones.

Officers will run meetings, contribute to agendas, take notes of what is said and support in informing the wider school community about School Council.

Staff members will help facilitate meetings and represent children's views in the wider school community when necessary.

Ace School Council

2 reps from Year 6 will represent our school on the Ace School Council

Resignation

It is the hope of School Council that members will stay in their role for the whole school year.

Meetings

These will be held in school at least half termly but more frequently where possible. As far as possible there will be a rep from each class present but with a minimum of 66%. After thorough discussion decisions will be made following a majority vote.

Finances

School Council will control a small budget which can be spent promoting the aims above.