

## School Council Minutes 2024-2025

**Date:** 13.1.25

## Present:

Pine	Oak	Ash	Rowan	Willow	Olive
Cedar	Walnut	Sycamore	Hawthorn	Hazel	Laurel
Holly	Poplar	Elder	Chestnut	Redwood	Maple

## Year One and Two School Councillors invited to attend. YES / NO

## Absences:

Apologies from:	Reason for Absence	Follow up needed?	
NA			
Follow up from previous week absences:			
NA			

	Agenda: School Council Systems and Action Plan				
	Item	Discussion	Action		
1	Class Council Agenda 13.1.25 Spelling and Handwriting	What spelling patterns are you learning about this week?  • [Year 4] ei pattern  • [Year 5] double letters e.g. suggest  • [Year 6] ough e.g. cough  • [Year 3] prefixes e.g. misunderstand	Feedback to teachers.		
		<ul> <li>What opportunities are there for daily reminders and rehearsal of these patterns in class?</li> <li> • [Year 4] Spelling in homework and links are made to spellings in literacy </li> <li> • [Year 3] Handwriting explores spelling words in context </li> <li> • [Year 6] Spellings are at the back of Literacy books. We are given opportunities to correct our spellings in writing [editing]. </li> <li> • [Year 5] We go back over spellings with a green pen. Post it notes in book to help us </li> </ul>			
		self-correct  How do you rehearse spellings at home?			
		<ul> <li>[Year 6] Using CGP books. Homework. Read more books. Learn spellings you do not know</li> <li>[Year 4] Practicing tricky words</li> <li>[Year 5] Test yourself in the holidays</li> <li>[Year 3] Practise by reading out loud. Breaking words into syllables.</li> </ul>			
		How does cursive handwriting support our spelling knowledge?      [Year 5] Cursive handwriting helps to recognise letters and words     [Year 6] It helps us recognise spelling patterns     [Year 4] We become more familiar with words     [Year 3] Helps with size so teachers can read			
		What is your current focus in handwriting?  • [Year 6] Keep letter from the same family the same size and height  • [Year 4] Tall letters go to top. We are also focusing on getting our pen license  • [Year 3] Joining letters and keep them the same size			
2	Wellbeing exercise/activity update	Wellbeing Exercise  Dragon Breathing  Dragon breathing helps us self-regulate and reduce stress by noticing our breath and releasing tension and negative energy.	Continue to have a range of wellbeing activities as		
			part of the school council agendas.		
		What did all the children think of this?  • [Year 6] Relaxing and funny  • [Year 5] Calming  • [Year 4] Felt weird and different but still enjoyable  What do you think the benefit of these exercises/activities are?  • [Year 3] Relieve stress			

		• [Year 6] Calming	
4	School competition (writing)	This term, School Council will promote the love of writing through a short story competition. Years 1-6  Entries will be sent to Young Writers. The writing could be published in a real book!  School council give all entrants a certificate! They will also choose the best piece of writing from each phase, with the winners receiving a prize!  Deadline: TBC	Mrs Siddique to share posters with classes.