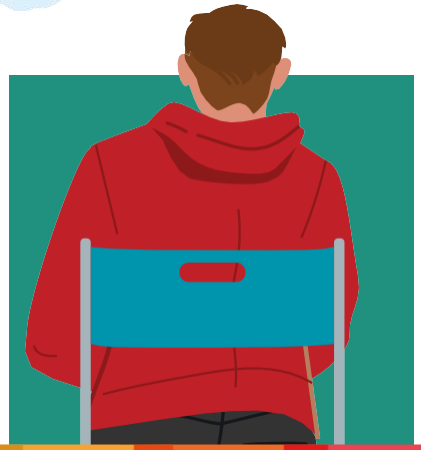
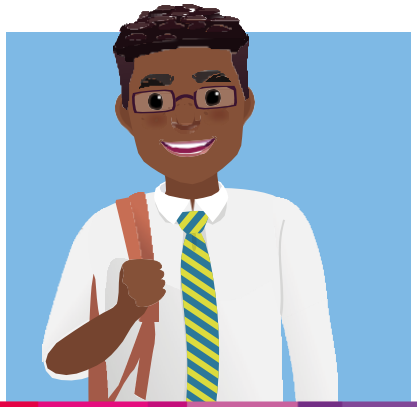
School Council Network Priorities for 2025- 2026





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This is your future, you should have a say, make sure you're heard, and change it today!

What is important for the School Council Network 2025 – 2026 term?

Student voice and participation
The School Council Network empowers students by bringing them together to share ideas for improving school life and ensuring their voices matter.

Creative and fun activities
More creative learning through sports, art, and nature projects that make school engaging and active.

Safe and inclusive spaces
Ensuring safe and inclusive environments supports all learners, including pupils with additional needs.

Improving outdoor environments
Better playgrounds through litter cleanup, tree planting, and outdoor space enhancements.

Main themes everyone agrees on

Inclusion and support
All learners to feel welcome with better SEND support and calm spaces for emotional regulation.

Curriculum and learning
Engaging lessons like art, sports, design, and nature activities for varied learning experiences.

Playgrounds and recreation
Bigger playgrounds with new equipment and imaginative play options for better recreation.

Environmental care and wellbeing
Recycling, litter-free areas, nature projects, kindness, safety, and wellbeing in schools.

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PRIMARY
PUPIL
PRIORITIES

What primary pupils care about?

Clubs and activities
More fun activities, youth clubs, school trips, cinema outings, and cultural days.

Food and nutrition
Tastier, affordable meals with healthy options like fruit, and menus with pictures.

Playtime and wellbeing
Younger pupils want bigger playgrounds and creative play zones; kindness and calm spaces that promote wellbeing and happiness.

Safety and environment
Travel safety bullying prevention, environmental care, and facilities improvements

Primary Priorities Summary Table

CATEGORY	MAIN REQUESTS
Activities	More clubs, trips, fun outings
Food	Tastier, healthier, clearer menus
Environment	Recycling, tree planting, beach cleans
Play	Bigger playgrounds, new equipment
Wellbeing	Kindness, calm spaces, regulation zones
Sports	More PE, football nets, indoor climbing
Facilities	Better toilets, water access, libraries

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SECONDARY
STUDENT
PRIORITIES

What Secondary students want to improve

Teen-Friendly spaces
More parks, hangouts, arcades, and affordable entertainment.

Accessibility and SEND support
Calls for calm spaces, better town access, and awareness of invisible disabilities were emphasised.

Transport improvements
More frequent buses, dedicated school routes, and safer school corridors during busy times.

Health and environment
Healthier food options, water access in schools, recycling programs, and pollution education.

Secondary Priorities Summary Table

CATEGORY	MAIN REQUESTS
Teen Spaces	Affordable activity centers, more parks, hangouts
Transport	More buses and safer corridors in schools
Cost	Cheaper food and activities
Healthy Living	Better food and easier water access at school
Environment	Recycling and climate action
SEND Support	More ramps, calm spaces and awareness

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SHARED PRIORITIES ACROSS ALL SCHOOLS

What the School Council Network agrees matters most

Inclusion and respect
Students value inclusion that ensures everyone feels welcome, supported, and respected in school.

Improved school facilities
Students want better playgrounds, outdoor areas, cleaner spaces, and nature-friendly environments in schools.

Wellbeing and mental health
Calm corners and wellbeing spaces are important for mental health support valued by pupils of all ages.

Safety and rights
Students prioritise road safety, safer travel routes, and having their voices and rights recognised at school.