



Interview with School Council Representative

School Council meeting at Upton Hall School



Can you explain something about the process of being elected. E.g. How were you elected by your form? Did you have to do a presentation to your year group?

I was elected by having to prepare a speech to my form. They then chose me as a for representative. I then had to write another speech which I performed in front of my whole year group. I was elected to represent year 8.

Can you tell us something about your responsibilities as a year council or school council representative.

As a council member, I have to put forward suggestions from my school pupils and announce them at meetings then see what action would take place and I have to report back to my form representatives.

What happens at school council? E.g. how often do you meet and what sort of items do you discuss?

We discuss a large range of subjects from problems to new ideas. We normally think of fundraising ideas too. We meet regularly which gives us time to discuss ideas and suggestions with our year.

Can you tell us something about the kind of projects that you have been involved with or something that has changed in your school as a result of the input of the School Council?

I have been involved with a trip to London and we were able to visit our sister school Maria Fidelis and go to Westminster Cathedral for Mass. We also went sight-seeing.

Finally, can you tell us in your own words, why you think democracy is important in your school.

I think it is very important, as it gives people like myself, a chance to have a large responsibility. It makes us more independent thinkers and prepared for future responsibilities. It allows many people to try something new and to vote and I think this is very fair.

